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Q. Which were--I had asked you questions on the persons at
risk, about whether you were--the ones that you were currently--well,
actually let me start with that. You said you notified around
percent of them. How many did you actually assist--how many
wanted assistance?

8 A. Around , Your Honor.

A. Yes, ma'am.

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- 9 Q. people or percent of the percent?
- 10 A. of those individuals. The number of people we assisted
- 11 was greater because it included family members and so on. But, of
- 12 the or so cases, of them involved assistance.
- 0. And, when that assistance was--well, those people, we
- 14 are now in 2013, this was begun in 2010. Can you sort of get a
- 15 flavor about when most of that assistance began?
- 16 A. I would say most of it, in 2011, because it took us a while
- 17 to identify, reach out, and then execute, but what is ongoing in
- 18 that, and one thing I could not say in the open session was
- 19 So, you have the
- 20 problem of that work goes
- 21 on. Some of them have
- 22 gotten kind of stuck in limbo They

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2	So, that is ongoing work.
3	Q. So, say, as of the beginning of 2013, of those people,
4	how many had assistance started already?
5	A. In terms ofall of them had it started. I mean, it
6	started in 2011 or so. Maybe I am not understanding the question.
7	$\ensuremath{\mathtt{Q}}.$ Maybe I was confused. I thought you said that there was
8	one?
9	A. The one that I was referring to, we have had a case that
10	just came to our attention in the last couple weeks where somebody
11	was arrested and is in jail now. And, the assessment of the embassy
12	and the whole diplomatic corps is because he was named in a WikiLeak
13	revelation
14	They did not overtly say that
15	that was it, but this was one where the post assumed that their
16	predecessors had named him and it turned out that they had not. So,
17	we are having to start that case from the beginning.
18	Q. Okay. So, this is one that should have been talked to and
19	was not.
20	A. Correct.
21	Q. Okay, you talked earlier about thesesometimes it wasn't
22	the initial dump of the cables that created the interest, it was the

- 1 follow-on media that would be now targeted to the region in that
- 2 particular language saying what the cables said?
- A. Yes.

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- 4 Q. And that would be after the release at some point. Are you
- 5 still seeing that occurring?
- 6 A. Yes, because, as I was mentioning, what happens is--it is
- 7 not very interesting, I guess, after the initial surge of, "Oh, isn't
- 8 this neat, there was this leak of all this information." The media
- 9 stopped focusing on WikiLeaks itself. What they will do now is, when
- 10 they are writing a story about, you know, a political leader or a
- 11 person or something in another country, they will go back and do
- 12 research using that database and if they can find something that a
- 14 story. So, if they are making a story saying three people say this

U.S. official said about them or something, they include that in the

- 15 guy is corrupt, they will say, "Oh, and the US Embassy assessed them
- 16 as being corrupt as well." But, it is not something where they would
- 17 write a story just based on--
- 18 Q. So, I guess that is where I am getting a little confused.
- 19 I thought I understood your testimony to be that most of these
- 20 people that required assistance began to get it in 2011 and now that
- 21 we have these media things coming out, are new people coming in
- 22 requesting assistance, or not?

- 1 A. No. We haven't had one in a while but there was a flurry
- 2 of that in sort of late 2011, early 2012 as the media hit. But, the
- 3 ones now where it is coming out, I don't think it has been too much--
- ${f 4}$  hopefully, we did, with this one exception I mentioned, we did a good
- 5 enough job that we anticipated this and got people out of harm's way.
- 6 MJ: All right, thank you. Any follow-up based on that?
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 8 ADC[CPT TOOMAN]: No, Your Honor.
- 9 MJ: Okay, temporary or permanent excusal?
- 10 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Temporary, Ma'am.
- 11 [The witness was temporarily excused, duly warned, and withdrew from
- 12 the courtroom. 1
- 13 MJ: All right, with respect to this witness the Court will
- 14 accept his expertise to educate the Court about his job and how the
- 15 persons at risk working group works, but as far as that opinion on
- 16 the, "chilling," it is too speculative based on what he is basing it
- 17 on so I am going to sustain the objection on the opinion. So, I am
- 18 going to disregard it.
- 19 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 20 MJ: Anything else we need to--and I have already got it in my
- 21 notes right next to that to disregard it.
- 22 Anything else we need to address?

- 1 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: No, Your Honor.
- 2 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 3 MJ: Okay so, 10 o'clock in the morning is what we are going for
- 4 on Monday?
- 5 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 6 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 7 MJ: Court is in recess until 10 o'clock in the morning.
- 8 [The court-martial recessed at 1538, 2 August 2013.]

- [The court-martial was called to order at 1003, 5 August 2013.]
- 2 MJ: Court is called to order. Major Fein, please account for
- 3 the parties.
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. All parties when the Court last
- 5 recessed are again present with following exceptions; Captain
- 6 Overgaard is present, and Mr. Chavez, the court reporter is present.
- 7 Mr. Robertshaw is absent.
- 8 MJ: All right. Have there been any new exhibits added to the
- 9 appellate exhibit list?
- 10 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. Ma'am, Appellate Exhibit 632 is the
- 11 prosecution's response to the defense motion to merge Specifications
- 12 5 and 7 of Charge II, dated 2 August 2013. Appellate Exhibit 633 is
- 13 prosecution response to the defense motion to merge Specifications 4
- 14 and 6 of Charge II, dated 2 August 2013. And Appellate Exhibit 634
- 15 is prosecution -- is the prosecution's response to defense motion to
- 16 merge as unreasonable multiplication of charges for sentencing, dated
- 17 2 August 2013.
- 18 MJ: All right --
- 19 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Also, Your Honor -- oh, I'm sorry.
- 20 MJ: Go ahead.
- 21 TC[MAJ FEIN]: As of 0945 this morning, there were ten members
- 22 of the media at the media operations center, one stenographer,
- 23 there's no media in the courtroom, 19 -- and 19 spectators in the

- 1 courtroom. Currently, the overflow trailer is not being used but is
- 2 available if needed.
- 3 MJ: All right. Thank you. I also received an e-mail from
- 4 defense counsel over the weekend with respect to the unreasonable
- 5 multiplication of charges for findings motions. I believe it was
- 6 Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II that are at issue.
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: That is correct, Your Honor. And after our 802
- $8\,$  session, I spoke with the government. I believe what we'll do is put
- 9 together a stipulation of expected testimony in order to highlight
- 10 the -- the issue that the defense believes was brought out in the
- 11 government's response motion.
- 12 MJ: All right. And does either side desire oral argument with
- 13 respect to that motion?
- 14 CDC[MR COOMBS]: I think once the -- yes, the defense would, Your
- 15 Honor.
- 16 MJ: All right. So we'll have to have a time that we build that
- 17 in. What I'd like to do is get through the witnesses -- maybe get to
- 18 the witness today, and this afternoon perhaps -- or if that doesn't
- 19 work, maybe we can do it tomorrow. The court will hold the -- that
- 20 ruling in abeyance pending oral argument.
- 21 CDC[MR COOMBS]: This afternoon will be fine for the defense,
- 22 Your Honor.
- 23 MJ: All right. Government?

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: That would be fine, ma'am. We can, at lunchtime,
- 2 start working on the stip.
- 3 MJ: Once again, counsel and I met in a brief R.C.M. 802
- 4 conference before we started today to discuss logistics and other
- 5 issues that arise in cases. And I advised counsel that I'm
- 6 finalizing my ruling with respect to the defense motion for
- 7 appropriate relief under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4), but for the way ahead,
- 8 I'm going to read a portion of the ruling now because it is germane
- 9 as we proceed.
- 10 "Basically, conclusions of law, procedures forward. The
- 11 Court cannot determine if government proffered evidence is admissible
- 12 aggravation under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) unless the court knows what the
- 13 evidence is. If this were a trial before members, the Court would
- 14 address these issues by holding an Article 39(a) session outside the
- 15 presence of the members with each witness. The court would hear the
- 16 testimony, argument from counsel and rule on what, if any, of the
- 17 testimony was admissible as aggravating evidence under R.C.M.
- $18 \quad 1001(b)(4)$ . Since this case is a judge alone trial, there are no
- 19 Article 39(a) sessions during the trial. The Court sits in its
- 20 interlocutory capacity to evaluate what evidence should be introduced
- 21 in its sentence imposing authority, when considering only
- 22 appropriately admitted evidence for its proper purpose.
- 23 (2) The following procedure will be followed for all remaining

- 1 government witnesses for whom the government intends to qualify as an
- 2 expert.
- 3 (A) The government will begin by identifying the scope of
- 4 the expertise for which the government seeks to qualify the witness
- 5 followed by the ultimate opinion the government seeks from the
- 6 expert.
- 7 (B) The defense may object and voir dire the witness after
- 8 the government lays the foundation for the witness.
- $\boldsymbol{9}$  (C) The government may lay the foundation for the expert's
- 10 opinion to include any admissible evidence in accordance with M.R.E.
- 11 703. The government will not introduce any hearsay or other facts or
- 12 data that is not admissible evidence in support of the expert
- 13 opinion.
- 14 (D) The Defense may object during the scope of the
- 15 witness's testimony and articulate the reasons for the objection.
- 16 (E) The Court will listen to the evidence in its
- 17 interlocutory capacity. The Court will summarily rule on clearly
- 18 inadmissible testimony. After the witness has testified, the defense
- 19 will identify for the Court the areas of the testimony the defense
- 20 finds objectionable and why. There may be a need for a classified
- 21 supplement.
- 22 (F) The Government will provide its position to the Court
- 23 regarding each defense objection.

2 objection lodged by the defense. When acting in its sentencing 3 imposing role, the Court will not consider any testimony or evidence ruled to be inadmissible aggravation evidence. 4 5 (H) Unless either party wishes to rely on additional legal 6 authority not briefed in the filings for this motion, the list and 7 response need state only the objections and the reason the testimony or evidence should or not should be admitted." Does either side have any question about that procedure? Q 10 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No, Your Honor. 11 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am. MJ: All right. Is there anything else we need to address 12 13 before we call the witness? 14 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am. 15 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No, Your Honor. 16 M.T. Please call the witness. TC[MAJ FEIN]: Ma'am, the United States calls the Under 17 18 Secretary of State for Management Patrick Kennedy. 19 [END OF PAGE] 20

(G) The Court will examine the testimony and rule on each

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- PATRICK KENNEDY, civilian, was called as a witness for the
- 2 prosecution, was sworn, and testified as follows:
- 3 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 4 Questions by the trial counsel [MAJ FEIN]:
- 5 Q. Sir, you are the Under Secretary of State for Management
- 6 Patrick Kennedy?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. And, sir, what does your current position entail as the
- 9 Under Secretary of Management?
- 10 A. I am responsible for the operational aspect of the State
- 11 Department; telecommunications, information technology, records,
- 12 finance, budget, security, medical, personnel and logistics.
- 13 O. And, sir, how long have you been in the current position --
- 14 in your current position?
- 15 A. I've been in the position since November of 2007.
- 16 Q. And, sir, you are here today to discuss your expertise in
- 17 the management and operations of the Department of State?
- 18 A. Correct, Major.
- 19 Q. And, sir, you are also here to discuss your expertise in
- 20 the use of diplomatic reporting by U.S. policymakers?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. And, sir, given that expertise, are you also here today to
- 23 give your opinion on the impact of PFC Manning's criminal conduct on

- 1 the management and operations of the Department of State?
- A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And also the impact of Private First Class Manning's
- 4 criminal conduct on the -- on the diplomatic reporting use by U.S.
- 5 policymakers?
- A. Correct.
- 7 Q. Thank you, sir. Sir, before we continue, if either party
- $8\,\,$  or the Court asks you a question that requires a classified answer,
- 9 please notify the Court. There's no expectation here in this court-
- 10 martial that that classified information be discussed in the open.
- 11 A. Thank you.
- 12 Q. Sir, how does one become the Under Secretary of State for
- 13 Management?
- 14 A. That is a presidential appointment. I have been a Foreign
- 15 Service officer for 40 years, and I was probably at the point -- in
- 16 2007, I think, I was the senior career management officer in the
- 17 State Department, and I was recommended to the then Secretary of
- 18 State, Secretary Rice, by the then deputy Secretary of State, John
- 19 Negroponte.
- 20 O. Sir, and where does your current position fall within, for
- 21 instance, an organizational chart within the Department of State?
- 22 A. You have the Secretary of State, you have two deputy
- 23 Secretaries of State, and then you have six under Secretaries of

- 1 State. So it's, in effect, the third operational tier in the State
- 2 Department.
- 3 Q. And, sir, are you a member of the Senior Foreign Service?
- A. I am.
- 5 Q. And how many years have you been a member of the Senior --
- 6 or the Foreign Service, sir?
- 7 A. I've been a member of the Foreign Service since 1973. So a
- 8 little over 40 years.
- 9 Q. And what is your rank, sir, in the Foreign Service?
- 10 A. The rank is called Career Minister. It is the -- it is
- 11 equivalent of the Senior Executive Service, and in military parlance
- 12 it would be -- the protocol equivalent of a three-star general.
- 13 Q. Sir, in your current position, do you have any specific
- 14 delegations as it pertains to Executive Order 13526 and its preceding
- 15 orders?
- 16 A. I am the responsible official for classification for the
- 17 Department.
- 18 O. And where does that authority -- your specific as the
- 19 senior agency official derive from?
- 20 A. It derives from a delegation of authority from the
- 21 Secretary of State.
- 22 O. And, sir, does that include having essentially, as we would
- 23 call it, command and control over the different information systems

- 1 and information management systems?
- A. Yes.
- 3 Q. That also involves classified information, sir?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Your Honor, before going through Under Secretary
- 6 of State Kennedy's entire background, the United States offers Under
- 7 Secretary of State for Management Patrick Kennedy as an expert in the
- 8 field of management and operations in the Department of State and
- 9 expert in the use of diplomatic reporting by U.S. policymakers.
- 10 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No objection, Your Honor.
- 11 MJ: Okay.
- 12 TC[MAJ FEIN]: One moment, please.
- 13 MJ: Does that truncate the foundation?
- 14 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Say again, ma'am.
- 15 MJ: That can truncate the foundation?
- 16 TC[MAJ FEIN]: It will be truncated, ma'am.
- 17 Questions continued by the trial counsel [MAJ FEIN]:
- 18 Q. Sir, rather than going through your almost 41 years of
- 19 experience in the Department of State, I'd like to ask a few
- 20 questions about key jobs you've held at the Department. Sir, when
- 21 did you first become -- when did you first assume a job within the
- 22 assistant secretary or the secretary's office level?

- 1 A. I was a -- became the Assistant Secretary of State for
- 2 Administration in 1993 and served in that position until 2001.
- 3 Q. And what were your general responsibilities, sir, as the
- 4 Assistant Secretary of State for Administration?
- 5 A. It included oversight of information technology,
- 6 classifications, and records management, oversees buildings
- 7 operations, logistics.
- 8 Q. And, sir, after being the Assistant Secretary of State for
- 9 Administration, what position did you hold?
- 10 A. I then became one of the U.S. representatives to the United
- 11 Nations, and served in that position from 2001 to 2005.
- 12 Q. And during that time, sir, did you have any overseas
- 13 details or other duties?
- 14 A. Twice: once in 2003 and once in 2004, for six and a half
- 15 months and three and a half months, respectively. I was detailed to
- 16 Iraq, first, as the Chief of Staff for the Coalitional Provisional
- 17 Authority, and the then second time in 2004 as the Chief of Staff for
- 18 the transition unit in Iraq -- the transition from CPA and defense to
- 19 American embassy.
- 20 O. And, sir, have you ever been detailed as a Department of
- 21 State senior Foreign Service officer to the Office of Director of
- 22 National Intelligence?
- 23 A Yes.

- 1 Q. And in what capacity, sir?
- 2 A. In -- in -- from 2005 to 2007, I was the Deputy Director of
- 3 National Intelligence for Management.
- 4 Q. And why, sir, ultimately were you selected for that job at
- 5 ODNI?
- ${\tt A.}{\tt Because \ I}{\tt was \ a \ senior \ management \ officer, \ and \ because \ the}$
- 7 to-be-named first director of national intelligence, John Negroponte,
- $8\,$  had been -- had been my supervisor both at the United Nations -- U.S.
- 9 missions with United Nations and in Iraq.
- 10 MJ: I'm sorry, sir, what was the year that that occurred?
- 11 WIT: 2005 to 2007.
- 12 MJ: Thank you.
- 13 Q. And, sir, can you generally describe for the court your
- 14 responsibilities as a Deputy Director for National -- of National
- 15 Intelligence for Management?
- 16 A. I essentially had two responsibilities; the office of the
- 17 Director of National Intelligence was set -- was just being set up.
- 18 So someone had to set up the personnel system, the financial systems,
- 19 the IT, and bring in the positions that the Intelligence Reform and
- 20 Terrorism Prevention Act required to be merged into the -- into the
- 21 Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and then set up
- 22 processes and make sure that the office was established and running
- 23 and then, additionally, oversee the logistics, the finance, the

- 1 information management, the personnel systems of the ODNI.
- Q. Sir, after May of 2007, what job did you move back when you
- 3 returned to the Department?
- 4 A. When I returned to the Department, I was briefly the
- 5 Director of Management Policy Rightsizing and Innovation from the
- 6 Department for -- for several months until I was nominated to be
- 7 Under Secretary of State for Management.
- 8 Q. And what were your general responsibilities, sir, within
- 9 the Office of Management Policy, Rightsizing and Innovation?
- 10 A. The office is essentially a senior level staff arm; a mini
- 11 think tank that oversees the development of management policies,
- 12 works with other U.S. Government agencies on the correct numbers and
- 13 staffing of American embassies' consulates and other offices
- 14 throughout the world, and then heads a unit that works within the
- 15 Department to look for innovative ways to improve all aspects of
- 16 management and operations.
- 17 O. Thank you, sir. And, sir, have you ever taught in the
- 18 field of management and operations of the Department?
- 19 A. Not formally. The State Department has the national
- 20 foreign affairs training center, the Foreign Service Institute, and I
- 21 have been an adjunct faculty there, which simply means you give
- 22 lectures on subject matter. Mine was on logistics and that was back
- 23 in the 1900s. And I give lectures there on a regular basis to either

- I in-service or new -- newly appointment classes.
- Q. And, sir, the ones -- the lectures you give today and in
- 3 recent time, what was the general subject areas?
- 4 A. The general subject is the overall management and
- 5 operations of the State Department.
- 6 Q. Sir, have you also test -- or have you testified in the
- 7 Field of Information Management within the Department of State?
- 8 A. Yes, both when I was assistant Secretary of State for
- 9 Administration, and now in my position as Under Secretary for
- 10 Management. I testify regularly before the Congress either in formal
- 11 sessions in open and closed briefings. And among the subjects that I
- 12 cover, since it is within my responsibility, is information
- 13 management.
- 14 Q. And, sir, using the term information management, what does
- 15 that mean, sir?
- 16 A. Information management has really several parts to it. It
- 17 is the management of the information itself, which is the records
- 18 management, the classifications of it, and then, also, computer
- 19 systems operations and, lastly, long-haul -- long-haul technology.
- Q. And, sir, have you ever had personal experience in your
- 21 career with information management operations?
- 22 A. As a -- as a management officer both in Africa, when I
- 23 served there in the 1970s, and in Cairo, where I was Chief of --

- 1 Chief of Administration -- Chief of Management at the American
- 2 Embassy in Cairo, the information management section within the
- 3 embassy reported directly to me.
- 4 Q. And, sir, can you please describe for the court -- you've
- 5 used the term, I think, reporting -- what reporting means?
- 6 A. It is the State Department's -- one of the State
- 7 Department's major responsibilities in the national security arena is
- 8 to have officers who are expert in political reporting, economic
- 9 reporting, public diplomacy, as well as counselor and administration
- 10 assigned to American embassies, consulates and other missions around
- 11 the world, whose duties are to engage with foreign government
- 12 officials and foreign non-officials; NGOs, business community, et
- 13 cetera, and to prepare reports and then append analysis to them to
- 14 advise Washington on trends, circumstances, and events in foreign
- 15 nations so that information can then serve Washington policymakers in
- 16 developing the -- the best strategy for national security.
- 17 Q. Sir, have you, in your career, been a consumer of State
- 18 Department reporting?
- 19 A. I have been ever since I was in -- I would say I was in a
- 20 supervisory position, which was probably starting in 1985, when I
- 21 became a -- the Executive Director and then Deputy Executive
- 22 Secretary in the Department of Secretary, which is the office that
- 23 directly supports the Secretary of State.

- 1 Q. And, sir, during your career, have you also had experience
- 2 how U.S. government policymakers used Department of State reporting?
- 3 A. Absolutely, both in -- as a senior management official, I
- 4 see that the actions that Department officials take on a worldwide
- 5 basis across a full range of issues is impacted heavily by the
- 6 reporting and analysis that is provided them -- the information that
- 7 is provided them by our -- by our offices in the field and also by
- 8 our personnel in Washington, who engage with -- with foreign
- 9 delegations, with foreign -- with foreign embassies, and others as
- 10 well.
- 11 Q. And, sir, can you briefly describe for the court the
- 12 different types of positions you've held where you've experienced how
- 13 policy -- U.S. policymakers use Department of State reporting?
- 14 A. Certainly. In my current position as Under Secretary for
- 15 State For Management, it is my responsibility to -- to determine
- 16 where the resources of the State Department -- the financial and
- 17 human resources to -- are going to be applied, where we might need to
- 18 construct new facilities, where new posts might be open, what
- 19 security steps may or may not have to be taken to protect -- to
- 20 protect our personnel, where -- where the economic trends may be
- 21 going overseas which would impact foreign exchange rates. It would
- 22 have an impact on how -- how the budget office of the State
- 23 Department prepares its budget or how our financial operations work

- 1 and, in all of those activities, the reporting and analysis submitted
- 2 by -- by our posts overseas inform us of -- of where we may need to
- 3 increase resources, where we might need to -- to reduce resources,
- 4 how we -- how we budget, and how we protect.
- 5 Q. And, sir, have you ever been required or have you ever
- 6 represented Department of State on official matters within the U.S.
- 7 government?
- 8 A. Yes. I regularly engage in inter-agencies' activities up
- 9 and to representing the State Department on the deputy's committee of
- 10 the national security staff.
- 11 O. Sir, now I'd like to focus this next portion of your
- 12 testimony on the actual -- on the department's first response to the
- 13 WikiLeaks disclosures. Sir, do compromises in classified State
- 14 Department information -- does that fall within your scope of
- 15 responsibility?
- 16 A. It does.
- 17 O. And were you made aware, sir, of the compromise of the
- 18 Revkjavik cable in back in March of 2010?
- 19 A. T was.
- And did the Department take any actions, investigate or
- 21 response, to the compromise of that reported cable?
- 22 A. Yeah. Our diplomatic security service, which is the
- 23 security arm of the State Department, worked with -- worked with

- 1 other elements of the United States government to determine what the
- 2 source of that -- of that leak might have been.
- ${\tt Q.}$  Sir, in the summer of 2010, when the Department of Defense
- 4 information started to be publicly released, did you take any steps
- 5 within the Department of State in response to that disclosure?
- 6 A. Yes. We had a liaison officer assigned to the task force
- $7\,$  that was under the direction of Brigadier General Carr. We also
- $8\,$  assembled a -- a database that was posted to the State Department's
- 9 intranet classified website of all of the cables we thought might be
- 10 incorporated in such a -- in such a -- in such a leak, and then we
- 11 advised our embassies, consulates, and other posts around the world
- 12 to go to this -- go to this intranet website and to review the cables
- 13 that they had written, because it was organized by source, and also
- 14 advised the departmental bureaus -- the departmental operating units
- 15 that would also have been the sources of cables outbound from the
- 16 State Department to -- to review material that they would have
- 17 generated.
- 18 O. So, sir, you mentioned the Department of State cables --
- 19 we'll get to that in a moment -- but going back to the Department of
- 20 Defense information, why did the State Department dedicate any
- 21 resources to the original DoD effort -- with the DoD information?
- 22 A. Because there was -- there was reason to believe that
- 23 summary material from State Department diplomatic reporting and

- 1 analysis cables was incorporated into some of the DoD material.
- 2 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Hold on, please, sir.
- 3 [Pause]
- 4 Q. Sir, what point in the summer of 2010 did you become the
- 5 senior State Department official for all matters of WikiLeaks?
- 6 A. After -- after briefing -- after briefing the Secretary of
- 7 State and my senior colleagues on the information that we were
- 8 receiving, I was designated to -- to lead the departmental efforts in
- 9 this regard.
- 10 Q. And why, sir -- prior to the Thanksgiving timeframe, why
- 11 was it necessary to be briefing even the Secretary on the ongoing
- 12 Department of Defense compromises of information?
- 13 A. Because there was, I said, reason to believe and then
- 14 evidence that certain State Department materials -- certain summaries
- 15 of State Department reporting and analysis was -- was contained in
- 16 the -- in that Department of Defense material, and then simply in
- 17 order to get prepared for the -- and should -- should other State
- 18 Department material be at -- be at risk.
- 19 O. So, sir, in the time between summer of 2010 and before
- 20 Thanksgiving of 2010, were you aware of any additional Department of
- 21 State classified information that could potentially have been
- 22 compromised to WikiLeaks?

- 1 A. There was -- there was -- we were provided with information
- 2 from the Department of Defense that indicated that their review of --
- 3 of material indicated that there could be a large quantity of State
- 4 Department material, potentially up to 250,000 reporting cables.
- 5 Q. So, sir, at that time -- the time between summer of 2010
- 7 Department in respect to the purported NCD cable compromise?
- 8 A. What we did was assemble a -- a -- a file -- a searchable
- 9 file on the State Department's classified intranet; our internal
- 10 classified system, and then advised all ambassadors and deputy chiefs
- 11 of mission, our number two officer at an embassy, to -- of the
- 12 location of this file, so to speak, on our website, and ask them to
- 13 acquaint themselves with this material, and to -- to read through it
- 14 and be prepared to -- to analyze what the potentially deleterious
- 15 impacts were, and at the same time addressing the same instruction to
- $16\,$  all assistant secretaries and office directors within the State
- 17 Department whose bureaus or offices might also be generating the
- 18 outgoing material that was contained -- that had generated the
- 19 outgoing material that was in that file.
- 20 Q. So, sir, why, at this time, prior to Thanksgiving of 2010,
- 21 was the direction simply to acquaint themselves with the purported
- 22 cables?

- 1 A. I think there were two reasons. The first is that the
- 2 State Department is a rather small organization with -- with over 280
- 3 posts around the world -- wide responsibilities -- and to divert
- 4 resources -- additional resources, large resources to any further
- 5 review when it was not yet absolutely clear that those -- that State
- 6 Department material was going to be released would have been an
- 7 aversion and waste of very, very scarce human and other resources.
- 8 And, secondly, obviously we would not wish to engage with any of the
- 9 other nations involved in advance. It would have been premature to
- 10 engage with another nation about what might or might not be contained
- 11 in -- in a leak or a purported leak without -- without being
- 12 absolutely sure. That would have been premature, if not stupid.
- 13 Q. So, sir, what actions did the Department take around
- 14 Thanksgiving of 2010 upon learning that the public release of the
- 15 purported cables was imminent?
- 16 A. The Department -- the Department notified -- notified all
- 17 posts of this, and asked them to reacquaint themselves with all of
- 18 this material, to carefully analyze what might be -- might be leaked
- 19 or become a purported leak, and then to prepare -- prepare quidance
- 20 for Washington on potential host government/host nation reaction to
- 21 that material.
- 22 Q. Sir, did you, as the Under Secretary, have to brief the
- 23 Secretary of State?

- 1 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And why, sir?
- 3 A. Because, obviously, this is a huge -- it's a huge effort
- 4 because State Department reporting and analysis is incredibly
- 5 important to the national security, and also our reporting and
- 6 analysis is based, to a great extent, on our ability to inter --
- 7 interface -- to work with foreign government officials and other
- 8 foreign nationals in the private sector of all kinds. They have an
- 9 implicit belief that -- that there is a confidentiality and a privacy
- 10 with what they would say to us, and the breach of that privacy would
- 11 have a significant and deleterious impact on our operations. And,
- 12 secondly, also, just perchance, the Secretary of State was about to
- 13 embark on an overseas travel to -- to two -- two major conferences
- 14 where she would be seeing many -- many -- many senior foreign
- 15 leaders.
- 16 Q. So, sir, could you please very briefly describe your
- 17 specific role around that Thanksgiving timeframe with the -- as the
- 18 purported cables were being released to the public?
- 19 A. Certainly. I worked with -- with the Executive Secretary
- 20 of the Department. The Executive Secretary, using almost a Thomas
- 21 Jeffersonian term, is the Chief Clerk of the Department; the
- 22 individual who coordinates process and operations of paper flow and
- 23 briefing materials within the Department. And the Department, as a

- 1 matter of course, when it is faced with a -- with a serious crisis,
- 2 sets up a task force. We set up a task force -- we set up a mita --
- 3 a task force to review and deal with material. We set up a
- 4 mitigation task force. And we set up a "persons at risk" task force.
- 5 And so my responsibility was to make sure, working with the Executive
- 6 Secretary, that those processes were started, and that they had the
- 7 resources necessary that we had to pull from throughout the
- 8 Department to staff them because the Department has no -- has no
- 9 excess -- in fact, has no reserve or National Guard to call forward
- 10 and call up in order to backstop the State Department. It has to
- 11 pull people, in effect, "off the line" to deal -- to deal with any
- 12 crisis.
- 13 Q. So, sir, first, we'd like to talk about the WikiLeaks
- 14 working group. And for today's testimony, sir, I will not be trying
- 15 -- or I will not be eliciting any testimony from you about the
- 16 mitigation team, just the WikiLeaks working group. So, sir, in
- 17 reference to the WikiLeaks working group, when was that first
- 18 created?
- 19 A. The WikiLeaks working group was created around -- around
- 20 that Thanksgiving timeframe. I don't -- I don't have the exact date
- 21 in my head. It was composed of representatives at a senior level --
- 22 the deputy assistant secretary level from every regional bureau, the
- 23 Bureau of International Organization Affairs, and all the functional

- 1 bureaus. A functional bureau in the State Department would be the
- 2 Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, the Bureau of Oceans,
- 3 Environmental and Science Affairs, the Counterterrorism Office as
- 4 well as individuals from various management bureaus who were there in
- 5 a supporting and advisory role. And its job was to serve as a
- 6 central hub. We have a -- we have a small suite behind our
- 7 operations center, our 24-hour command center, the equivalent of the
- 8 National Military Command Center, in which task force is assemble --
- 9 when we're in crisis mode, people sit around the table and, as
- 10 information comes in from other elements of the Department or from
- 11 overseas, they make sure the information is coalesced, assembled,
- 12 compared, contrasted, and then briefed to a senior to management
- 13 along with recommendations for "next steps" that might have to be
- 14 taken.
- 15 O. Sir, you mentioned the term "crisis" a few times.
- 16 What is a crisis situation in terms of the Department of State?
- 17 A. The crisis situation of the Department of State can -- can
- 18 -- is a huge range of activities. You can have a -- you can have an
- 19 airplane crash with many American citizens onboard. You can have a
- 20 natural disaster; the Haiti earthquake. You can have something like
- 21 the tsunami in Japan followed by the -- the damage to the Fukushima
- 22 power plants. You can have a terrorist attack on the United States
- 23 embassy. Or you can have any activity that has a deleterious impact

- 1 on the State Department's operations -- our national security
- 2 mission, which goes outside of the narrow framework that one bureau
- 3 or office should and could handle itself. And so a crisis -- a
- 4 crisis task force is -- is that.
- 5 Q. So, sir, why was this situation considered a crisis?
- 6 A. It was considered a crisis because the release of -- of
- 7 documents that would be purported to be U.S. State Department,
- 8 classified or unclassified, for that matter, in large quantities,
- 9 reporting analysis would -- would breach the trust and confidence of
- 10 our interlocutors overseas. When the State Department officers go
- II out and are looking at the situation in a ho -- in the country in
- 12 which they are assigned or the international organization to which
- 13 they are assigned, they're looking at activities that are ongoing.
- 14 They are talking to -- to other diplomats, to members of the -- the
- 15 private sector, wherever, and they're assembling -- reporting on that
- 16 situation and then they're appending analysis to it. Part, and an
- 17 incredibly important part of that complex undertaking is to
- 18 understand the opinions, the analysis, the feelings of others, i.e.
- 19 those outside the State Department or the U.S. government family and,
- 20 therefore, we will have discussions with host nation, meaning the
- 21 country in which the embassy is located, diplomats from --from third
- 22 countries, individuals representing non-governmental organizations.
- 23 We have full and frank discussions with those individuals. And it is

- I their expectation that those discussions will be treated as private
- 2 and confidential, and not exposed to -- to -- to everyone because, if
- 3 that was the case, they would be reticent to provide their full and
- 4 frank opinions and analysis and share them with us. And then, as
- 5 we're assembling our reporting analysis, feeding it back to
- 6 Washington where it becomes one piece of a very large puzzle that is
- 7 the national security of the United States. The diminution of the
- 8 value of that reporting is that we're not getting the full and frank
- 9 opinions of -- of -- of interlocutors expressed to us.
- 10 Q. So, sir, in reference ----
- 11 MJ: Hold on just a moment. Yes?
- 12 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Major Fein, sorry to interrupt you there. Just
- 13 the last part of Under Secretary Kennedy's answer would be our R.C.M.
- 14 1001(b)(4) objection.
- 15 MJ: What timeframe are you talking about -- that's all right --
- 16 I understand. I've got the objection down.
- 18 MJ: What timeframe are you talking about with the diminution?
- 19 WIT: I'm talking -- I'm talking about the diminution after -- of
- 20 any leak of classified information. And any leak of classified
- 21 information that can be attributed to -- to a breach of confidence
- 22 results in a diminution.
- 23 MJ: Thank you.

- 1 Q. And, so, sir, you gave that answer based off the answer of
- 2 why this was considered a crisis. In your experience, sir, how many
- 3 bureaus are normally represented in a crisis working group?
- 4 A. I would say usually in a crisis working group you have a --
- 5 a single geographic bureau because most events take place in one
- 6 geographic area, and then you have the Bureau of Public Affairs
- 7 because they are large press inquiries. You have the Bureau of
- 8 Consulate Affairs, which handles our assistants to American citizens
- 9 in distress. Overseas, you could have the Bureau of Diplomatic
- 10 Security. You could have the Bureau of Administration, which would
- 11 be providing logistics. And then you could have, potentially, the
- 12 Bureau of Human Resources if there are a large number of State
- 13 Department people involved. So you would say five or six.
- 14 Q. And, so, sir, how was the WikiLeaks working group different
- 15 than other crisis working groups?
- 16 A. It was different in that it -- it impacted every single one
- 17 of our -- of our six regional bureaus, plus the Bureau of
- 18 International Organizational Affairs, plus a significant number of
- 19 the functional bureaus; economic and business, ocean, environment,
- 20 science, counterterrorism.
- 21 Q. And, sir, in your 40 years with the Department, have you
- 22 ever seen a crisis working group that encompassed so many bureaus?
- 23 A. Never.

- 1 Q. And why not, sir?
- A. Because we've never had a crisis that was so -- it's so
- 3 wide-ranging that affected that many bureaus at -- at one time.
- 4 O. Sir, can you please describe for the court the overall
- 5 mission of WikiLeaks working group within the first 24 to 48 hours?
- 6 A. The mission of the WikiLeaks working group was to be in
- 7 communication with the ambassador and chief of mission at our
- 8 overseas posts and with the assistant secretaries, deputies,
- 9 assistant secretaries, and office directors within the domestic
- 10 offices to review the material that we believed could become the --
- 11 be compromised in such release and determine what -- what
- 12 recommendations we need to make to the Secretary and what action the
- 13 State Department needed to take should that information result in a
- 14 purported leak of State Department documents.
- 15 Q. Sir, was anyone at the Department looking at the purported
- 16 documents that were being released in the press?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 O. And can you describe that process?
- 19 A. The documents were being -- we were looking at the
- 20 purported leaked documents in the press and then -- and then
- 21 determining what -- what actions we needed to take in light of
- 22 engaging with -- with foreign officials, either governmental or
- 23 private, either in Washington or overseas.

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: One moment, please, sir.
- 2 [Pause]
- 3 Q. Sir, how many countries does the United States have
- 4 diplomatic relations with, approximately?
- 5 A. I think we have a diplomatic relations with approximately
- 6 170 countries.
- 7 Q. And do we have embassies or posts in all of them?
- 8 A. We have -- we have embassies in about 160 of them. There
- 9 are some small, smaller nations in a geographic sense, in -- in
- 10 mainly island nations in the Caribbean and in the Pacific where we
- 11 have diplomatic relations and our diplomacy relations are carried out
- 12 by an ambassador resident in another country who is also accredited,
- 13 meaning also the United States ambassador to one or more of those
- 14 nations as well.
- 15 O. And, sir, how many geographic bureaus are there at the
- 16 State?
- 17 A. There are six geographic bureaus.
- 18 O. And approximately how many functional bureaus?
- 19 A. About two dozen.
- 20 O. In total, sir, how many of these embassies or the bureaus
- 21 back at main State were involved in responding to the crisis?
- 22 A. Every -- every regional bureau, plus the Bureau of
- 23 International Organizational Affairs, plus probably 20 others.

- Q. And what about the embassies abroad, sir.
- 2 A. Every single embassy as well as -- and our consulates as
- 3 well. Because if our consulates general -- consulates missions to
- 4 international organizations -- a U.S. intersection, any and all of
- 5 those offices could have done some element of political, economic
- 6 reporting and analysis. And so each one of these would have been
- 7 involved if they had filed reporting cables, and also all of them do
- 8 to some degree or another.
- 9 Q. And, sir, when speaking about the embassies, who at the
- 10 embassies were involved in reviewing these documents and getting back
- 11 to main State?
- 12 A. I would say everyone at the embassy, you know, the
- 13 ambassador, the deputy chief of mission would be leading the team,
- 14 but you would -- you would have political reporting. You would have
- 15 economic reporting. You could have science reporting. You could
- 16 have political military affairs reporting. You could have press and
- 17 cultural reporting. You could have consulate reporting. You could
- 18 even have administrative and security reporting. And so every --
- 19 every officer at that -- at that embassy or other post would have
- 20 been reviewing that database I mentioned earlier, which we had set
- 21 up.
- Q. So, sir, I'm sorry. When you said everyone, you mean all
- 23 the reporting officers, not literally everyone at an embassy?

- 1 A. I would think, also, that it would involve the -- the --
- 2 the consular officers would be also looking at it. There would be,
- 3 also, the management officer and the security officer would be
- 4 looking at to see if their -- if any of that reporting, should it --
- 5 should it be compromised, would have some kind of potentially
- 6 deleterious effect on either the security or the operation. So, it -
- 7 yes, the reporting officers and the ambassador and the deputy chief
- 8 submission are the first line, but everyone else there is supporting
- 9 them.
- 10 Q. Sir, understanding that each post, you already essentially
- 11 testified, ranges in some sizes; some have ambassadors, some don't,
- 12 how many total people oversees -- employees of the Department would
- 13 you say were involved in the initial response to the disclosures --
- 14 approximately, sir, overseas?
- 15 A. I would say -- I would say the number is in the thousands.
- 16 We have about 10,000 American State Department personnel abroad. And
- 17 I would say a significant number of them would have been involved in
- 18 this one way or another.
- 19 Q. And, sir, how many -- on average, how many individuals are
- 20 assigned to geographic bureaus?
- 21 A. Geographically vary in size, but I would say that there are
- 22 several hundred in each -- in each geographic -- each of the six

- 1 geographic bureaus, plus another 150 or so of the Bureau of
- 2 International Organization Affairs.
- 3 O. And, sir, in your estimate, what was the total number of
- 4 individuals assigned to geographic bureaus that were dedicated to
- 5 supporting the WikiLeaks working group in the first few weeks after
- 6 the disclosure started?
- 7 A. I would say that if you had -- if you had a bureau, it
- 8 would probably have been 75 or 80 percent of the individuals, only
- 9 excluding those people who are responsible for the internal
- 10 administrative processing of the bureau, because if you have a large
- 11 desk -- a desk is a concept, not a physical thing -- a desk -- a
- 12 French desk, the Brazilian desk, if that desk has more than one
- 13 officer on it, that's because there's a large amount of material
- 14 moving back and forth and, therefore, everyone had been involved. If
- 15 you had a very small country there might be one officer who is
- 16 handling two countries. But all of them would have been involved
- 17 reviewing that potentially leaked material, and then determining what
- 18 actions needed to be briefed up and what actions might have to be
- 19 taken bilaterally, multi-laterally.
- 20 O. Sir, what about the function of bureaus? How many people,
- 21 on average, are assigned to those?
- A. Again, probably 200 -- probably 200.

- 1 Q. And in your estimate, sir, what was the total number of
- 2 individuals assigned to functional bureaus that were consumed by the
- 3 first few weeks of WikiLeaks working group?
- 4 A. I would say of the 200, probable -- I'm guessing probably
- 5 more -- more like half because they're -- their responsibilities,
- 6 though equally important, would probably have been less directly --
- 7 although some, such as the economic and business bureau or the
- 8 counterterrorism bureau, might have -- might have been -- might have
- 9 been up in the 75 to 80 percent range as well.
- 10 Q. Sir, what about the Under Secretary level? How many Under
- 11 Secretaries were involved?
- 12 A. All -- all six Under Secretaries were involved.
- 13 Q. And what about the Secretary of State? Was she presently
- 14 involved in the responses?
- 15 A. She was.
- 16 Q. And why did Secretary Clinton have to be personally
- 17 involved in this crisis management?
- 18 A. Because the Secretary of State is -- (A) Is responsible for
- 19 the operations of the entire State Department and this was a very,
- 20 very serious crisis. Secondly, it is the Secretary of State who is
- 21 either on the telephone with or engaged in meeting or in travels with
- 22 a huge panoply of senior foreign officials as well as both
- 23 governmental and non-governmental. And so these are individuals --

- the individuals she would be dealing with would be -- would be
- reading -- would be reading the newspaper. 2
- Sir, why did you wait essentially at the Department until 3
- the release was imminent to start implementing a department-wide
- 5 response?

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- I think there are two reasons for that. The first of all 6
- is the Department is always resourced constrained. We put our 7
- resources to the -- to the immediate activities and the -- as well as 8
- long-term planning that -- that best supports our national security 9
- mission, and we took, I believe, prudent preliminary steps such as 10
- assembling that -- that intranet database and advising our -- our 11
- posts overseas as well as in our offices in Washington to prepare
- themselves by reviewing the material, but to pull resources off the 13
- line to -- to engage in this when we were not absolutely fully sure 14
- that the material would be -- would be released would be a potential 15
- waste of resources. And the second item is that if we're going to 16
- have to deal with a country that is aggrieved about material that 17
- they had read, you want to make sure that they had read it before you 18
- went to them. Otherwise, you would be ahead -- ahead of the curve. 19
- And this is one case where you do not want to be ahead of the curve. 20
- Sir, did you direct an impact review to capture the 21
- Department's efforts that impacted from the compromise of the 22
- compromised of the purported cables? 23

- 1 A. I did.
- Q. And when did you finalize that impact review, sir?
- A. I did not finalize that impact.
- 4 Q. Why did you not, sir?
- 5 A. I received a -- a -- the draft -- the draft that came
- 6 to me as a -- as a senior official in August of 2011. And as
- 7 we were reviewing it, it -- we also very shortly thereafter became
- 8 aware that there was going to be a second major tranche of purported
- 9 documents moving into the -- into the press. And it became evident
- 10 from looking at that and looking at the material that had been
- 11 prepared, what I had in my hand was a snapshot based upon earlier
- 12 material which was certainly not comprehensive when you took the
- 13 material that was -- was published -- the purported State Department
- 14 documents, and then added to it the second major tranche that was
- 15 about to be released, which in that second tranche was purported to
- 16 contain a large number -- a larger percentage of classified material
- 17 than the first tranche and, therefore, what I had was a snapshot in
- 18 time, and certainly by no means represented a full and conclusive
- 19 damage assessment.
- Q. Sir, would a -- a completed assessment have mitigated any
- 21 potential damage?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 0. Why not, sir?

- A. Because an assessment is simply measuring -- measuring --
- 2 measuring damage. It does not mitigate damage.
- 3 Q. Sir, from what you observed in your position as the Under
- 4 Secretary of State for Management, has the department's ability to
- 5 conduct diplomacy been impacted by the PFC Manning's actions?
- A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And has that also impacted foreign relations?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Sir, why is the ability to conduct diplomacy important to
- 10 the United States' national interests?
- 11 A. I believe that there is a -- is a three-legged -- three-
- 12 legged stool that -- that protects U.S. national security. There's
- 13 obviously our military, our development assistance which helps
- 14 countries develop so that they do not become -- become ungovernable
- 15 states and potential havens for terrorism, and, also, the
- 16 humanitarian point, which is equally valid of helping people in
- 17 desperate need, and the third -- the third leg of that stool is
- 18 diplomacy. And to do -- to underpin the national security, you need
- 19 a robust State Department diplomatic effort, which includes the
- 20 ability to report and analyze events that are going on across the
- 21 world so that that will become a piece of the puzzle, i.e.,
- 22 information that is available to national security decision makers in
- 23 Washington. And if we are not able to engage in full and frank and

- 1 private and confidential discussions with a full range of foreign
- 2 interlocutors, we are not -- we do not -- we are not able to craft up
- 3 the reporting and analysis to feed to those national security
- 4 decision makers in Washington -- information of a quality that is
- 5 diminished otherwise.
- 6 O. Sir ----
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Excuse me, Major Fein ----
- 8 MJ: Yes.

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- 9 CDC[MR COOMBS]: ---- I -- just the last part, again,
- 10 1001(b)(4), Your Honor.
- MJ: All right. Got it.
- 12 Questions continued by the trial counsel [MAJ FEIN]:
- 13 O. So, sir, specifically in reference to the private and
- 14 confidence and the trust our foreign interlocutors have to have of
- 15 us, don't the -- well, do the foreign interlocutors still have to
- 16 work with us even if they didn't have the trust and confidence in us?
- 17 A. Obviously, they have to work with us. And when -- when we
- 18 go into a foreign embassy to deliver a demarche, which means a
- 19 request that the United States is making them to engage in some kind
- 20 of action or support for the United States in some world forum, they

will certainly receive our demarches, they will certainly potentially

- 22 work with us if it is in their national interest, and many cases it
- 23 would be in their -- in our common interest to do so. But what we

- I would be lacking is a full and frank exchange of views on what their
- 2 thinking is, what their analysis is of a situation that is developing
- 3 or could develop. And it's that exchange, that full and frank
- 4 exchange that allows us to craft the best analytical reporting to
- 5 Washington on circum -- on circumstances. And, so, yes, they will
- 6 continue to work with us. But it's the -- the full and frank
- 7 discussion that leads to the best analytical product.
- 8 MJ: Yes [speaking to the defense]?
- 9 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Just that last part again of his answer,
- 10 Your Honor; 1001(b)(4).
- 11 MJ: Got it.
- 12 Q. Sir, can you please describe for the Court how
- 13 conversations between diplomats and foreign partners are reported
- 14 back to Washington?
- 15 A. Yes. We have a system and it has -- it's one of those sort
- 16 of historical names. They're sometimes called cables. They're
- 17 sometimes called telegrams. They are neither. They're automated
- 18 word processing transmissions, but it's -- they're called cables or
- 19 telegrams, and you see that often referred to. What happens is we
- 20 have officers stationed at our posts around the world whose
- 21 responsibility is political reporting and analysis, economic
- 22 reporting and analysis, cultural and press, science, political
- 23 military, et cetera, consular, even -- even managerial reporting and

- 1 analysis. That -- officers at our embassy monitor the situations
- 2 that is ongoing in the nation to which they are assigned, or
- 3 potentially in adjacent nations as well. Look at that, analyze it in
- 4 the context of their own expertise. I mean, these are individuals
- 5 who have been trained in the language and culture of that country,
- 6 and they rise in the ranks probably subsequent and repetitive tours
- 7 in a country or region. So these are our subject matter experts.
- 8 But that's not enough. What they do then is they go out and they
- 9 meet and they talk with -- with representatives of that government --
- 10 of other governments who happen to be based in that same location of
- 11 -- of journalists, educators, non-governmental organizations, the
- 12 business community. They meet and discuss issues with all of those
- 13 people, engage in the full frank discussions, and then go back to the
- 14 embassy and craft a cable, a telegram, a report, that says, in
- 15 effect, here is what is going on. And then they report on the why
- 16 and then on -- and then, depending upon the circumstances,
- 17 predictions, so to speak, about what actions might be taken in the
- 18 future by that nation. And then that reporting and analysis feeds
- 19 into the national security analysis in Washington.
- 20 Q. So, sir, how do you, as the Under Secretary for Management,
- 21 oversee this process?
- 22 A. It is -- I provide the physical plant overseas. I provide
- 23 the personnel. I provide the security, the medical, the logistics,

- 1 and I also provide the records management in Washington, and I
- 2 provide the information technology transmission, so to speak, between
- 3 the posts and Washington so that those reports do reach Washington
- 4  $\,$  and other U.S. government agencies, and also if -- an embassy could
- 5 also be reporting what we call laterally, meaning the embassy in
- 6 Shangdu is not only sending the report to Washington, but is also
- 7 sending the report to the embassy in Shangri-La, which is a country
- $8\,$   $\,$  which might have some interest in this meeting -- our embassy in that
- 9 country has interest in that reporting.
- 10 Q. Sir, why does the Department write cables or telegrams?
- 11 A. To -- to inform the policymakers in Washington so that they
- 12 can develop the best national security position for the United
- 13 States.
- 14 Q. And, sir, who within the U.S. government reads these
- 15 cables?
- 16 A. The State Department reporting analysis goes to -- I think
- 17 probably any U.S. government agency that has an interest in
- 18 international affairs or has an interest in domestic affairs that is
- 19 impacted by activities that go on overseas.
- 20 Q. And, sir, about how many cables, on average, are sent from
- 21 any given embassy on any given day?
- 22 A. It -- it can range from, you know, from a half dozen at a
- $23\,$   $\,$  small embassy to -- to -- 100 or more in a large embassy.

- 1 Q. Sir, prior to Private First Class Manning's actions was
- 2 information about sources included in cables?
- 3 A. We -- we almost always cited the -- our interlocutors.
- 4 would not refer them -- to them as sources.
- Q. Okay.
- 6 A. Sources has -- has another -- has another context. But we
- 7 don't -- we refer them as -- just as the people we -- we meet with.
- 8 Q. And, sir, what purpose is it -- what purpose is served when
- 9 you list the individuals -- the people that our diplomats meet with -
- 10 in general, sir?
- 11 A. It's a very important element in giving context and
- 12 credibility to the -- to the reporting information. A report from a
- 13 more senior government official might, in given circumstances, carry
- 14 more weight than a report than a junior -- junior official. A report
- 15 of a discussion with a senior member of the -- of an opposition party
- 16 in a country conveys a -- a certain context to Washington. A report
- 17 from a senior management of the business community would be very,
- 18 very important potentially to the -- to the export/import bank -- or
- 19 the overseas private investment corporation in determining their --
- 20 their strategy to promote United States economic investments or U.S.
- 21 exports.
- Q. Sir, is the information the Department of State reports on
- 23 inform U.S. government policy?

- 1 A. Yes. Policymakers in Washington do not operate in a
- 2 vacuum. There are obviously views from -- from multiple government
- 3 agencies. The State Department has views. The Defense Department
- 4 has views. The Department of Commerce might have views. All U.S.
- 5 government agencies tend to have views on -- on events overseas that
- 6 impact on -- on the United States' national security. What that
- 7 reporting and analysis feeds context in, allows policymakers to make
- $8\,$  the best decisions because they are -- that -- their decision making
- 9 is informed from the widest possible ambit.
- 10 Q. And, sir, after PFC Manning's compromise of the purported
- 11 cables, was there change in the type of source information -- excuse
- 12 me, person -- person's information -- the people that the drafters
- 13 included in cables?
- 14 A. Some -- some -- some embassies have changed that. That is
- 15 -- that is -- that is -- that is deleterious and we have -- we think
- 16 we're losing something in that regard. Not every embassy has,
- 17 however.
- 18 O. Okav, sir.
- 19 CDC[MR COOMBS]: And, Your Honor, I'd ob -- 1001(b)(4) on
- 20 that answer.
- 21 MJ: I have it. Thank you.
- 22 Q. So, sir, did you correct that change or is that change or
- 23 is that ----

- 1 A. No.
- Q. ---- embassy specific?
- A. Self-generated at various embassies.
- 4 Q. Yes, sir. And, sir, why did the Department of State
- 5 provide other agencies, as you've already testified about, access to
- 6 the diplomatic reporting?
- 7 A. The State Department is represented in 280-some odd posts
- 8 around the word. We have the widest geographically dispersed
- 9 representation of any U.S. government agency, period. And that means
- 10 that our -- our personnel are doing reporting and analysis from more
- 11 locations with more -- with more personnel than any other U.S.
- 12 government agency. And, therefore, these other U.S. government
- 13 agencies want the widest possible range of reporting to -- if nothing
- 14 more to interleave or compare and contrast with other reporting that
- 15 they may be receiving from -- from -- from other -- from other U.S.
- 16 government agencies. So these agencies need our reporting and
- 17 analysis in order to inform their part of the -- of the national
- 18 security including economic security and national security.
- 19 Q. Sir, I have a few more questions for you. Sir, this is
- 20 just a yes or no question, but do you have an opinion on whether
- 21 these disclosures impacted the Department of State?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And, sir, how confident are you in that opinion?

- A. Totally confident.
- Q. Sir, what is your opinion on whether these disclosures
- 3 impacted the Department of State?
- 4 A. These in -- these disclosures had a chilling effect on
- 5 foreign officials, governmental and non-governmentals willingness to
- 6 engage in full and frank discussions with us, which is detrimental to
- 7 us assisting in our responsibilities to protect the national
- 8 security.
- 9 CDC[MR COOMBS]: And, Your Honor, 1001(b)(4) and speculative.
- 10 MJ: I have it.
- 11 Q. Sir, again, a yes or no question. Do you have an opinion
- 12 on whether these disclosures will continue to impact the Department
- 13 of State?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And, sir, how confident are you on that opinion?
- 16 A. Totally confident.
- 17 O. Sir, what is your opinion on whether these disclosures will
- 18 continue to impact the Department of State?
- 19 A. We have had -- we have had situations in which individuals
- 20 who have, for example ----
- Q. Sir, I'm sorry I have to interrupt you, sir. Without
- 22 giving examples, sir, if you could just explain why you believe these
- 23 disclosures will continue to impact the Department of State.

- 1 A. Certainly. The underpinning of diplomatic reporting and
- 2 analysis is full and frank discussion with -- with -- with foreign
- 3 officials. I believe those foreign officials feel that in many cases
- 4 that they do not have the ability to engage in that same level of
- 5 full and frank conversation because -- because of what has happened
- 7 time. People -- people have long memories.
- 8 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Your Honor, again, 1001(b)(4), speculative.
- 9 MJ: All right.
- 10 O. And, sir, a yes or no question; do you have an opinion,
- 11 sir, on whether these disclosures impacted policymakers who rely on
- 12 diplomatic reporting?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And, sir, how confident are you in that opinion?
- 15 A. Totally confident.
- 16 Q. And, sir, what is your opinion on whether the disclosures
- 17 impacted policymakers that relied on diplomatic reporting?
- 18 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Your Honor, I have an objection here,
- 19 speculation and foundation for the opinion.
- 20 MJ: Foundation is one of the objections?
- 21 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 22 MJ: All right. Proceed. You can develop your foundation -- if
- 23 -- should you have any additional foundation you want to add.

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: One moment, please, ma'am.
- 2 [Pause]
- 3 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Ma'am, the United States believes that it has
- 4 laid a proper foundation for that opinion.
- 5 MJ: That's fine. Proceed.

## 6 Questions continued by the trial counsel [MAJ FEIN]:

- 7 O. So, sir, to reask the question, sir, what is your opinion
- 8 on whether these disclosures impacted policymakers that relied on
- 9 diplomatic reporting?
- 10 A. Policymakers, in order to develop the best course of action
- 11 for the U.S. national security, need the best possible reporting and
- 12 analysis from the State Department as its contribution. And absent a
- 13 full and frank discussion, which I believe has been chilled, they --
- 14 they then do not get the best possible reporting and analysis that
- 15 would enable them to do potentially a better job in -- in supporting
- 16 our national security.
- 17 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Thank you, sir. Your Honor, there are no further
- 18 questions.
- 19 MJ: Okay. Defense, do you want a recess before you go?
- 20 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor. If we could have -- come
- 21 back maybe 25 after.
- 22 MJ: All right. Ambassador Kennedy, please don't discuss your
- 23 testimony or knowledge of the case with anyone other than counsel or

- 1 the accused while -- well, actually don't discuss your testimony with
- 2 anybody during the recess.
- 3 WIT: Yes, Your Honor.
- 4 MJ: And, I'm sorry, how long did you need?
- 5 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Just until 25 after, Your Honor.
- 6 MJ: All right. Court is in recess until 25 after 11.
- 7 [The court-martial recessed at 1113, 5 August 2013.]
- 8 [The court-martial was called to order at 1126, 5 August 2013.]
- 9 MJ: The court is called to order. Let the record reflect all
- 10 parties present when the Court last recessed are again present in
- II court. The witness is on the witness chair. Proceed, Mr. Coombs.
- 12 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 14 Questions by the civilian defense counsel [MR. COOMBS]:
- 15 O. Under Secretary Kennedy, I remind you you're still under
- 16 oath.
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 O. Okay. I want to start off by asking you a few questions
- 19 about the use of cables with the Department of State, okay?
- 20 A. [No response]
- 21 O. The State Department has historically accomplished the
- 22 basic communication between Washington and its overseas posts through
- 23 the use of diplomatic cables?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And you would agree that United States policy formulation
- 3 is done at the State Department in Washington and across inter-
- 4 agencies?
- 5 A. With input from the diplomatic reporting as well as other
- 6 input from other agencies.
- 7 Q. Correct, but the actual formulation of the policy is done
- 8 here in Washington with inter-agencies, correct?
- 9 A. With input from -- from diplomatic reporting.
- 10 O. All right. And the diplomatic cables that you receive --
- 11 the input, that's not policy, though?
- 12 A. [No response]
- 13 Q. It's not a statement of policy, is it?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. And diplomatic cables are not always accurate?
- 16 A. Diplomatic cables report the facts as they are then known
- 17 to the -- to the individuals who are doing the reporting.
- 18 Q. But my question is diplomatic cables are not always
- 19 accurate?
- 20 A. I'm afraid I can't give you a yes or no answer to that. To
- 21 say -- to say, yes, they're not always accurate, implies that there
- 22 is a deliberate inaccuracy in the reporting when the report is filed.
- 23 Facts on the ground can change and so an accurate reporting in 2002

- 1 may no longer be the case in 2003, but that, in my opinion, does not
- 2 make the report of 2002 inaccurate, it just means the situation has
- 3 been overtaken by events between 2002 and 2003.
- 4 Q. Let me then -- I think based upon what you answered there,
- 5 I'll take out the deliberate aspect, because that's not my question,
- 6 so not a deliberate inaccuracy within a diplomatic cable, but
- 7 diplomatic cables are not always accurate. So someone could report
- 8 something they believe to be true and immediately we'd find out it is
- 9 not true, is that correct?
- 10 A. That is possible, yes.
- 11 Q. Now, a diplomatic cable is a report of information or facts
- 12 from a particular ambassador or post, correct?
- 13 A. It's -- it's a report from -- from the post, yes.
- 14 Q. And that is -- that cable is the view from that particular
- 15 post of the facts?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. So that's the view from their vantage point, what they
- 18 believe might be the facts on the ground where they're reporting
- 19 from?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And each diplomatic cable that comes in will have the
- 22 ambassador's name on the bottom?
- 23 A. That is a convention, ves.

- Q. And because it's a convention that means -- that doesn't
- 2 many that the ambassador actually drafted that cable, right?
- A. That is correct.
- 4 O. If it dealt with routine administrative matters, the
- 5 ambassador might not even -- even review the cable?
- A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And depending upon the size of the embassy or post, and the
- 8 number of cables going out, an ambassador might not even review a
- 9 cable that has his or her name on it?
- 10 A. Well, ambassador -- the ambassador's name is on every cable
- 11 that goes out if he or she is present at the post. But -- if your
- 12 point -- but -- yes, an ambassador does not -- does not physically
- 13 necessarily read every cable that goes out of a post even though it
- 14 bears his or her signature.
- 15 O. And the SIPDIS cables; those were addressed -- when they
- 16 have the ambassador's name on the bottom, they were addressed to the
- 17 Secretary of State, correct?
- 18 A. All cables inbound from Washington, as well all cables
- 19 outbound from Washington, say either to or from SECSTATE.
- 20 Q. And, obviously, that doesn't mean that the Secretary of
- 21 State reads all of these cables?
- 22 A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. And as you were -- just said, the -- the outbound cables

- 1 also have the Secretary of State's name on them?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And that clearly does not mean that the Secretary of State
- 4 wrote those reports -- those cables, correct?
- A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Read the cable?
- 7 A. All -- not necessarily.
- 8 Q. Or even was aware that the cable went out?
- 9 A. Depending upon the subject matter, yes.
- 10 Q. And that's -- as you had earlier testified, that's just
- 11 kind of a coming convention that's a holdover of, I guess, years gone
- 12 by?
- 13 A. It's a convention, yes.
- 14 Q. Now, the Net-Centric diplomacy database, that was available
- 15 to anyone who has SIPRNet access at one point, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 O. And those cables that were shared on the NCD database, they
- 18 were all captioned with the distribution caption of SIPDIS?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And within the State Department, the access to and control
- 21 over the cables and who it's distributed to is controlled by the use
- 22 of tags, which I'm not going to really talk about, but then also
- 23 captions, correct?

- A. And a third element.
- 2 O. And -- go ahead.
- 3 A. It's called AMADs. And I'm not sure what the acronym
- 4 stands for, but it is, in effect, an artificial intelligence that
- 5 reads the cables -- and depending upon keywords that it finds in the
- 6 message. So that would be captions, tags, and AMADs would be the
- 7 distro -- would formulate the distribution pattern.
- Q. And SIPDIS would be an example of one of the distribution
- 9 captions that you would use?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And with regards to the Department of State, the advice and
- 12 training that was put out to the various embassies and posts was that
- 13 SIPDIS caption meant that it was appropriate to share with our inter-
- 14 agency partners, is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Now, there are, obviously, other more sensitive captions
- 17 that can be used for cables?
- 18 A. There are -- there are lots of captions available for use.
- 19 Some of them are directional. Some of them -- some of them are
- 20 restrictive, yes.
- 21 Q. And some of the captions that would restrict the audience -
- 22 narrow the audience who could actually review them -- I'm just
- 23 going to name a few, and tell me if you're aware of these or are

- I familiar with them. STATDIS or STADIS?
- A. STADIS, yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. NODIS?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 O. EXDIS?
- A. Yes.
- 7 Q. ROGER?
- A. Yes.
- 9 O. TERREP?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Okay. Now, I'm showing you -- I'll show you
- 12 what's been marked as Defense Charlie-Charlie-Charlie for
- 13 identification. It is a portion of the Foreign Affairs Handbook.
- 14 Q. Are you familiar with the Foreign Affairs Handbook?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 CDC[MR COOMBS]: And I hand the witness Exhibit Charlie-
- 17 Charlie for identification or -- excuse me, Charlie-Charlie-Charlie
- 18 [handing the document to the witness].
- 19 O. Do you recognize that?
- 20 A. [Looking at the document] I recognize -- I recognize the
- 21 format, and I'm going to assume that you've given me an accurate
- 22 copy.
- 23 Q. And the Foreign Affairs Handbook has several sections to

- 1 it, correct?
- 2 A. There are -- there are multiple volumes of the Foreign
- 3 Affairs Handbook.
- 4 Q. And the volume or the section that you have in front of
- 5 you, does that deal with just captions -- what captions mean?
- 6 A. Chapter -- Volume 5 deals with -- with information
- 7 technology and telecommunications, and the subsection you have is
- 8 labeled "Captions and Handling Instructions", yes.
- 9 Q. If you would, please, Under Secretary, just kind of thumb
- 10 through that for a moment and tell me whether or not that kind
- 11 discusses each of the possible captions that you can have for a
- 12 cable?
- 13 A. [The witness did as directed] Okay. It seems to -- it
- 14 seems to -- it has -- it has lots of captions that I recognize.
- 15 O. And underneath each of those captions it also gives
- 16 comprehensive instructions about when you would use that caption, is
- 17 that correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 CDC[MR COOMBS]: I'm retrieving from the witness Defense Exhibit
- 20 Charlie-Charlie-Charlie for identification [retrieving the document
- 21 from the witness] and offering into evidence as Defense Exhibit
- 22 Charlie-Charlie-Charlie.
- 23 MJ: Any objection?

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Lack of foundation, Your Honor.
- 2 MJ: What's missing?
- 3 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Well, ma'am, Under Secretary Kennedy didn't
- 4 specifically remember that being -- there's -- that being the actual
- 5 Foreign Affairs Handbook -- where it came from. He kept saying it
- 6 appears to be this.
- 7 MJ: Well, why don't we do this; I'm not going to initial off on
- $8\,$  it now. If -- what I will do is provisionally admit it. If you can
- 9 find something that can show me that it's an accurate version of the
- 10 Foreign Affairs, I will admit it.
- 11 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Okay, your Honor.
- 12 MJ: But consider it provisionally admitted for now.
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: I'm retrieving that from the Court [retrieving
- 14 the document from the Military Judge]. Just to lay the foundation,
- 15 I'm handing Defense Exhibit Charlie-Charlie-Charlie for
- 16 identification to the witness [handing the document to the witness].
- 17 Q. Is there anything on the very top of that or bottom of that
- 18 document that would indicate to you that this is from the Department
- 19 of State?
- 20 A. [Looking at the document] As I said earlier, the formatting
- 21 and everything looks like -- looks like a -- pages from the Foreign
- 22 Affairs handbook. I just ----
- 23 MJ: Do you have any reason to question its accuracy?

- 1 WIT: No, but I -- as I said, depending upon the questions that
- 2 follow, I cannot -- I cannot, Your Honor, state that -- with 100
- 3 percent certainty that this is an accurate copy of this chapter of 5
- 4 -- Manual 5 Foreign Affairs Handbook. I don't know that it's not,
- 5 but I don't know that is. And I'm -- so I'm not willing to say -- to
- 6 certify that this -- if I was presented as the Under Secretary for
- 7 Management, I would give it to staff and say -- if I was submitting
- 8 this to a court of law, I would go have it validated that I would --
- 9 that this is the copy that was being submitted was going in was
- 10 absolutely correct. I have no reason not to believe it is, Your
- 11 Honor, but I just don't have any reason to know it is either.
- MJ: I understand that. May I see it for just a moment?
- WIT: Certainly [handing the document to the Military Judge].
- MJ: Here's what we're going to do; I'm going to admit it.
- 15 Government, if you think there's something that's not accurate about
- 16 this document, you're certainly free to advise the Court and the
- 17 Court will take action accordingly.
- 18 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 19 MJ: All right, Defense Exhibit Charlie-Charlie-Charlie for
- 20 identification is admitted.
- 21 O. And, Ambassador Kennedy, I'm going to ask you a few
- 22 guestions about various caption -- excuse me, Under Secretary
- 23 Kennedy, I'm going to ask you a few questions about various captions.

- 1 I wanted you to have the benefit of that if you needed to look at
- 2 something to refresh your memory.
- A. Certainly.
- 4 Q. Otherwise, your memory is perfectly fine. With regards to
- 5 STADIS; STADIS is used basically to preclude initial distribution to
- 6 other federal agencies, is that correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 O. STADIS is basically for the internal deliberative process
- 9 for the State Department?
- 10 A. No, I think -- I think it -- it goes beyond that. It could
- II be that, it can be other things. It's simply a caption to ensure
- 12 that the distribution remains State Department only. It could be
- 13 deliberate, it could be administrative, it could be -- it could be
- 14 any purpose in which the originator wishes this material to remain
- 15 only within the State Department.
- 16 Q. And -- and basically by the use of that caption that is
- 17 when, for whatever reason, it would be either premature or just
- 18 simply not the type of information that you would want to share with
- 19 interagency partners?
- 20 A. Again, there could be a huge range of subjects. I mean,
- 21 the -- the salient item is that the originator says that he or she
- 22 wishes this to be handled only within State Department distribution
- 23 channels and no one else.

- 1 O. Now, with regards to NODIS, that caption identifies
- 2 messages of the highest sensitivity basically between the President,
- 3 the Secretary of State and chiefs of mission, is that correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And not with like fact, but can you provide us with kind of
- 6 an example of what would be a NODIS?
- 7 A. I would say if you -- if -- if an ambassador in a country
- 8 wished to provide information of the highest sensitivity, let us say
- 9 on ongoing negotiations about conflict raging between Shangdu and
- 10 Shangri-La and, because of the nature of the information, we were
- 11 restricting that to only certain -- a very, very limited number of
- 12 people.
- ${\tt Q.}$  And in with regards to the EXDIS caption, that is used for
- 14 highly sensitive traffic between the White House, the Secretary, the
- 15 Deputy Secretary and the Under Secretaries of State?
- 16 A. It has -- it has a variety -- a wide variety of
- 17 uses, but it is very close to what you said.
- 18 Q. And can you provide us with just kind of a general example,
- 19 again, of what type of cable might be an EXDIS cable?
- 20 A. Again, it would -- it depends upon the circumstances. And
- 21 I would say probably you would find some arms control negotiations
- 22 material potentially -- potentially in that channel.

- 1 Q. And then with regards to ROGER, that's for communications
- 2 between the assistant secretary for intelligence and research; I&R,
- 3 and the chiefs of mission, is that correct?
- 4 A. That is an administrative channel. That is not a reporting
- 5 channel.
- 6 Q. With a cable, though, that's labeled as a ROGER, can you
- 7 give us an example of what type of cable?
- 8 A. No, not in this -- not in this -- not in this session.
- Q. Okay. And TERREP; that's a caption used for messages
- 10 related to information about terrorism, is that correct?
- 11 A. That is -- that is the channel used to call attention to
- 12 terrorist reporting, yes.
- 13 Q. And these are messages, my understanding, that can only be
- 14 distributed to members of the emergency action committee, is that
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. I would have to refresh my memory on that.
- 17 Q. And are you -- again, in a very general unclassified
- 18 format, can you give an example of what a TERREP type cable might be?
- 19 A. A TERREP cable would be a report of a potential terrorist
- 20 attack.
- 21 Q. Now, the SIPDIS caption, as we said, that is a caption that
- 22 is only used if it can be shared with the interagency partners?
- 23 A. No.

- 1 Q. Okay. Can you go ahead and enlighten me?
- 2 A. The State Department shares large numbers of cables with
- 3 the interagency partners and this -- to answer the question, Your
- 4 Honor, I have to go back to a little history, if I might.
- 5 MJ: That's fine.
- $\mathbf{6}$  A. The Department of Defense came to the State Department mid
- $7 \ \ \text{--} \ \text{mid-2000s}$  or so and said that because of the importance of State
- 8 Department reporting to it and because of the size of the defense
- 9 department, the current -- current kind of pull -- push system in
- 10 which the State Department would dispatch cables to SECDEF; Secretary
- 11 of Defense, OSD, JCS; Joint Chiefs of Staff, Fort Richardson -- did
- 12 not necessarily -- because of the size of DoD, that's -- they would
- 13 not necessarily get to potentially the right elements within the
- 14 Department of Defense and, therefore, ask that a database be set up
- 15 in which the State Department would push reporting to that database
- 16 and then the DoD would be able to pull information from that database
- 17 based upon the needs of the individual puller.
- 18 O. Now, with regards to the Defense Exhibit Charlie-Charlie-
- 19 Charlie, it lays out guidance for when you would use the SIPDIS
- 20 caption, correct?
- 21 A. There are instructions there, yes.

- 1 Q. And, again, that -- that -- those instructions indicate for
- 2 information messages deemed appropriate for release to the U.S.
- 3 government interagency community?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 O. And a SIPDIS caption message is never to be combined with
- 6 more restrictive captions such as NODIS, EXDIS, ROGER or TERREP?
- A. Correct.
- 8 Q. If a message carries conflicting captions, the more
- 9 restrictive caption is going to govern it?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. So a SIPDIS caption, for instance, if it does have more
- 12 restrictive caption with it, it's not going to go into the Net-
- 13 Centric Diplomacy database?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Additionally, a SIPDIS caption is not supposed to be used
- 16 with Privacy Act information?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. So your MED channels, your HR channels, DS channels, DSX
- 19 channel, that stuff will not be in a SIPDIS cable?
- 20 A. That is correct.
- 21 O. Again, if you had a SIPDIS cable that had this type of
- 22 information, again, it would not be loaded into the Net-Centric
- 23 Diplomacy database?

- 1 A. Yes. Well, if it had the other caption on it ----
- Correct.
- 3 A. --- it would cause it -- it would cause it, if the machine
- 4 is working correctly, to what's called spill, meaning spill to man --
- 5 to manual management upon arrival at its destination.
- 6 Q. And drafting officers were directed, basically, to use the
- 7 SIPDIS caption only for those messages that fit the requirements of
- 8 SIPDIS?
- A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And so they understood that these were messages that were
- 11 designed to be shared with out interagency partners?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And during the period from 2005 to 2010, the State
- 14 Department had posted some 250,000 or so cables to the Net-Centric
- 15 Diplomacy database?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 O. And during that same period of time the State Department
- 18 disseminated approximately 2.4 million cables through other systems
- 19 to our other -- 65 other government agencies?
- 20 A. I believe that's -- yes. I recall that figure. I would
- 21 want to verify it. But it's right within one or two percent either
- 22 way.

- Q. All right. So I believe you testified at Congress that
- 2 basically ten times as many cables that were given to -- well,
- 3 actually, the amount of cables given to the Net-Centric Diplomacy
- 4 database, during that same time period, ten times that many cables
- 5 were pushed out to our interagency partners through other means?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. So, obviously, the majority of the cables that were being
- 8 shared with interagency partners were not SIPDIS cables?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. So the policy formulation and whatnot, that wasn't entirely
- 11 relied upon by SIPDIS cables, there were other cables going out for
- 12 policy and formulation?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. Do you know -- and you might not, and that's fine if you
- 15 don't, what percentage of Department of State cables were labeled as
- 16 SIPDIS cables on any given year?
- 17 A. No, I don't. I don't have that fact at hand.
- 18 O. Was it a -- in a general standpoint, was it a small
- 19 percentage of the overall cables or a large percentage of the overall
- 20 cables that were labeled SIPDIS -- or could you guess?
- 21 A. It would be hard to guess because you would first have to
- 22 factor out all the administrative or logistical cables that are sent,
- 23 and then you SIPDIS as a percentage of other reporting cables and --

- I'm sorry, I don't have that -- that number available to me.
- Q. That's fine. Now, my understanding is that when it
- 3 received the SIPDIS caption, those types of cables were automatically
- 4 by the, basically, automated process put into the Net-Centric
- 5 Diplomacy database?
- A. Correct.
- 7 Q. There wasn't a person that was looking at the cable first
- 8 and then saying, yeah, that should go into the Net-Centric Diplomacy
- 9 database?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And in 2005 through 2010, if an ambassador or somebody
- 12 posted a cable that was SIPDIS, they labeled it as SIPDIS, within
- 13 minutes of them submitting it, it would get put into the Net-Centric
- 14 Diplomacy database?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And after process, basically, and placed in the Net-Centric
- 17 Diplomacy database, it would be available to anyone who had SIPRNet
- 18 access?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And ambassadors and posts understood that fact?
- 21 A. Yes.

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- Q. So is it fair to say that if somebody labeled it as SIPDIS,
- 2 they knew that it would be accessible to the million or so people who
- 3 have SIPRNet access?
- 4 A. I'm not sure that they knew that they were a million or so
- 5 people who had SIPRNet access, but they thought that it was a -- it
- 7 material available to it just like they would put other -- they would
- 8 put other tags on -- on the cable as well.
- 9 O. And SIPDIS ----
- 10 A. As I mentioned earlier, there are other -- there are other
- 11 ways to ensure that messages get to -- get to other users.
- 12 Q. All right. And with regards to SIPDIS cables; if you label
- 13 it as SIPDIS, in your opinion, would that state something about the
- 14 type of information that would be in SIPDIS cables?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 O. And why not?
- 17 A. Because it was -- its purpose was to -- to get it to that -
- 18 to the Net-Centric database so it would be available at the request
- 19 of DoD more easily for defense department and potentially other --
- 20 several other U.S. government agencies also have access to SIPRNet,
- 21 which is the Department of Defense classified database. And the SIP
- 22 -- the SIP in SIPDIS stands for SIPRNet access.

- 1 Q. And from your perspective -- perspective, did you review
- 2 SIPRNet or SIPDIS cables, ever?
- 3 A. I read -- I read cables all day long. I -- I don't ever
- 4 really particularly look at the captions. I look at the subject
- 5 lines. And I look at the summary paragraph, and then determine from
- 6 the subject line and the summary paragraph whether I need then to
- 7 read the entire -- entire message depending upon what is in the
- 8 subject line and what is in the summary paragraph.
- 9 Q. Between 2005 and 2010, were the SIPDIS cables available to
- 10 you in some other way besides Net-Centric Diplomacy database?
- 11 A. Yes. Because I'm State Department, they would be available
- 12 on the -- on the State Department distribution system.
- 13 Q. And on that system, were they separated at all from any --
- 14 any cable with a different caption?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. All right. Now, when the DoD material ----
- 17 A. Excuse me.
- O. Go ahead.
- 19 A. Cables like NODIS and ROGER channel are handled in very,
- 20 very special ways. But in terms of diplomatic -- routine and
- 21 diplomatic and consular reporting, it could be SIPDIS, it could not
- 22 be SIPDIS. It would appear on my -- on my computer screen as a
- 23 telegraphic report from whatever embassy was the originator.

- 1 O. When purported material from the State Department was
- 2 allegedly given to WikiLeaks, the State Department immediately asked
- 3 the chief of mission at the affected post to review the purported
- 4 statements -- Department cables, correct?
- A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And the State Department also directed the chiefs of
- $7\,$  mission to provide an assessment as well as a kind overall summary of
- 9 host country?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. In this review, an assessment was completed in August of
- 12 2010?
- 13 A. No, the -- no, sir. The -- the request that was completed
- 14 in August of 2010 -- not completed in August of 2010, is a -- is a --
- 15 is a damage assessment. It was a damage assessment commissioned, and
- 16 the damage assessment was -- drew from reports from chiefs of
- 17 mission, ambassadors, but the damage assessment was never completed.
- 18 O. I'm not talking about damage assessment, what I'm talking
- 19 about is the review that you got from the chiefs of mission at the
- 20 affected post.
- 21 A. There were individual submissions from chiefs of mission,
- 22 yes.
- Q. And that was completed in August of 2010?

- 1 A. There was, I guess -- I apologize. I guess I'm hung up on
- 2 the "it." There were individual chiefs of mission reports, but there
- 3 is no it -- there is no -- each chief of mission sent in a cable.
- 4 And so we had the cable from all the chiefs of mission. And I'm --
- 5 they -- and I'm sure that they were put in a binder, you know,
- 6 alphabetically by post. If that's the "it," yes.
- Q. Okay. And to make sure we're talking about the same "it"
- $8\,$  then, you had testified about the -- about what the Department of
- 9 State had done in front of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security
- 10 and Governmental Affairs?
- 11 A. If you could read the section to me, I'd appreciate it.
- 12 Q. Well, first, before I do that, you did do that, correct?
- 13 You testified ----
- 14 A. I testified before the Senate Committee, yes.
- 15 Q. And there you testified that we immediately asked the
- 16 chiefs of mission at affective posts to review any purported State
- 17 material in the release and provide an assessment as well as a
- 18 summary of the overall effect of the WikiLeaks release could have on
- 19 relations with the host country following the completion of this
- 20 review in August.
- 21 A. Okav.
- And so ----

- A. All right. You're talking about August of 2010, not the -
- 2 not the August 2011.
- Yeah, I'm not talking about the damage assessment.
- 4 A. Okay. Thank you. I just -- if we're talking about 2010, I
- 5 now understand your question.
- 6 Q. Okay. So let me go back then. You had the chiefs of
- 7 mission review the purported State Department material from their
- 8 area, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And you asked them to look at it and to give their
- 11 impressions on how that might affect relations with the host country?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And they got back to you by August of 2010?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 O. And when it was believed that the State Department cables
- 16 might actually be released, you then, again, instructed all of the
- 17 chiefs of missions to familiarize themselves with the content within
- 18 the Net-Centric Diplomacy database?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 O. And based upon that direction, again, you got feedback from
- 21 the chiefs of mission?
- A. Correct.

- 1 Q. And when the press and WikiLeaks announced that -- that
- 2 there was going to be a release of purported cables on 28 November
- 3 2010, that's when the State Department took several additional
- 4 actions?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And one of those was to create the 24/7 WikiLeaks working
- 7 group?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And as you had said, this was a working group composed of
- 10 senior officials from throughout the State Department?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. To include your regional bureaus?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And how long did the 24/7 WikiLeaks working group conduct
- 15 its work?
- 16 A. I think it was several months. I -- I don't have the exact
- 17 end date in mind.
- 18 Q. And do you have an idea of what month they stopped working?
- 19 A. No, I don't. I'm sorry.
- 20 O. Less than six months?
- 21 A. Less than six months.

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- 1 Q. Now, during this period the Department of State kept
- 2 Congress apprised of its response to any potential release by
- 3 WikiLeaks, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And according to your testimony, the Department convened
- 6 two separate briefings for members of both the House of
- 7 Representatives and the Senate within days of December 2010?
- A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And members of the Department also appeared twice in front
- 10 of the House Permanent Select Committee On Intelligence both on 7
- II December and 9 December 2010?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And during those briefings, Department of State officials
- 14 informed Congress that the administration felt compelled or the
- 15 Department of State felt compelled to say publicly that the cable
- 16 leak had caused serious damage to American interests in order to
- 17 bolster the legal efforts to shut down the WikiLeaks website?
- 18 A. You just read me a quotation. And it's -- are you quoting
- 19 me or are you quoting someone else, sir?
- Q. I'm asking are you aware of Department of State officials
- 21 informing Congress that the administration felt compelled to say
- 22 publicly that the cable leaks had seriously damaged American

- I interests in order to bolster legal efforts to shut down the
- 2 WikiLeaks website.
- 3 A. I was -- I was the briefing officer at both those two House
- 4 Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence briefings, and I don't
- 5 remember saying that. I was the briefer.
- 6 O. And you don't believe that is true?
- 7 A. I believe it caused damage, yes. But I don't think -- you
- 8 -- you -- the end of it is compelled to say something and I don't
- 9 remember saying that.
- 10 O. All right. I understand your testimony under oath here is
- 11 that the State Department never briefed to the -- the House Permanent
- 12 Select Committee that the cable leaks in this instance, the
- 13 administration felt compelled to say to the public -- to say publicly
- 14 that the cable leaks had seriously damaged American interests in
- 15 order to -- bolster -- excuse me, bolster legal efforts to shut down
- 16 the WikiLeaks website?
- 17 A. I recall saying -- talking about the damage to the U.S.
- 18 national security. I don't -- I don't recall saying that, and I
- 19 don't recall anyone saying that in my presence.
- 20 Q. During those briefings, do you recall indicating to
- 21 Congress or saying to Congress that the impact of the cable release
- 22 was embarrassing, but not damaging?
- 23 A. I never said that.

- 1 Q. Anyone else from the Department of State?
- A. Not in my presence, sir.
- 3 O. Okay, so, again, under oath here today, you are saying that
- 4 when you briefed Congress, the State Department never stated to
- 5 Congress that the impact of the cable release was embarrassing but
- 6 not damaging?
- 7 A. I do recall that having been said.
- 8 Q. Now, I want to address a couple of the potential harms that
- 9 have been documented and you testified to one of those here today,
- 10 okay?
- 11 A. Counsel, yes.
- 12 Q. Now, there have been two types of potential chilling
- 13 effects from the alleged leaks. The first, that the State Department
- 14 will stop sharing information with other agencies, and the second,
- 15 that countries or individuals may stop being open and frank with us
- 16 as State Department members, is that correct?
- 17 A. No, I've only described the second. I have -- I have never
- 18 gone to the first.
- 19 O. Well, that's not quite true. You've gone to the first when
- 20 you testified in front of the House Permanent Select Committee,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. I -- no, I said -- I believe I said -- and I would have to
- 23 go back and see if I can obtain the classified transcript of that

- I briefing -- that we were certainly cutting off distribution via
- 2 SIPRNet. We're cutting off distribution ----
- Q. I'll play a clip from your testimony, then you can comment
- 4 on it.
- 5 A. We're cutting off distribution via SIPRNet, but we were not
- 6 cutting off distribution via what we called Legacy SIPs, which are
- 7 the other distribution systems. So cut off the one, but not the
- 8 other. So the traffic would still be available to policymakers
- 9 through Legacy Systems.
- 10 Q. Ambassador Kennedy -- excuse me, Undersecretary Kennedy,
- II I'm going to play a clip from your testimony and then ask you to
- 12 comment on it.
- 13 MJ: Are these marked in some fashion?
- 14 CDC[MR COOMBS]: They're going to be, Your Honor. We may need to
- 15 take a slight break. For whatever reason, it's not coming up, ma'am.
- 16 Q. Again, you recall testifying in front of the House
- 17 Permanent Select Committee? Is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 CDC[MR COOMBS]: I'd like to play this for you.
- 20 RECORDING: I think the State Department though has avoided the
- 21 chilling effect that you are --
- 22 WIT: If I might --
- 23 RECORDING: -- directly addressing. For examples, I might,

- 1 during the period ----
- 2 WIT: -- that is not the House Permanent Select Committee on
- 3 Intelligence. That is the Senate -- that is the Senate Committee.
- 4 And so I -- everything I've said to you -- your question was,
- 5 counsel, your testimony for the House Permanent Select Committee.
- 6 This is not my testimony before the House Permanent Select Committee.
- 7 This is a -- this is a different hearing, and so my -- that's ----
- 8 Q. My question to you, Under Secretary Kennedy, was had you
- 9 testified about the two chilling effects. You indicated that you
- 10 never testified about the former.
- 11 A. You -- Counsel, I believe you were talking about -- you
- 12 said the House Permanent Select Committee. And so ----
- 13 Q. Well, why don't we do this; I'll repeat my question and
- 14 then I'll see if I need to play this, okay?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. All right. So, I'll repeat the questions as I ask them to
- 17 you word-for-word. I want to address a couple of potential harms
- 18 that have been documented basically to you, the two types of
- 19 potential chilling effects from the alleged leaks. The first, that
- 20 the State Department will stop sharing information with other
- 21 agencies, and the second, that other countries or individuals may no
- 22 longer share information with us. You indicated that you never had
- 23 testified about the former. Is that true or not true?

- 1 A. We're talking now about the Senate committee. The
- 2 questions posed were two-fold. Since the Senate Homeland Committee
- 3 was very, very concerned about -- since the -- Senator Lieberman and
- 4 Senator Collins were the chair and co-chair of that committee, they
- 5 were very concerned about information sharing because they had been -
- 6 they were the authors of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism
- 7 Prevention Act. Their question was directed at was the State
- $8\,$  Department going to cut off the defense department from the
- 9 intelligence information and ----
- 10 Q. Yes, sir. My question, though, Under Secretary, is there
- 11 were two types of possible chilling effects, the first the State
- 12 Department will shop sharing information with other agencies. Did
- 13 you testify about that potential chilling effect?
- 14 A. To Homeland Security and the Senate, yes.
- 15 Q. All right. And you testified there that the State
- 16 Department had avoided that first kind of chilling effect?
- 17 A. The chilling effect on the distribution to other government
- 18 agencies, ves.
- 19 O. All right. You said while the State Department at that
- 20 point had stopped its dissemination of these purported cables on
- 21 SIPRNet, they continued to disseminate to the intelligence community
- 22 system throughout other sources, one was JWICS, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.

- 1 O. And you continued to disseminate the same volume of
- 2 material at the same rate with the 65 other U.S. government agencies
- 3 after the purported leaks?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. And the State Department, in your words, not hold anything
- 6 back?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. All right. Now, the second type of potential chilling
- $9\,$   $\,$  effect, that is, whether or not foreign governments or citizens of
- 10 foreign countries would be willing to share information with us. The
- 11 State Department has avoided that chilling effect, too?
- 12 A. I do not believe so.
- 13 Q. Are you familiar with then Secretary Clinton's statement
- 14 that diplomatic cables, again, are not always accurate? Are you
- 15 familiar with her saying that?
- 16 A. I believe that she -- she -- the Secretary of State did
- 17 give -- did give a press conference in 2010 after the first tranche
- 18 of WikiLeaks, yes.
- 19 O. Are you familiar with her saying that the -- in her
- 20 opinion, the diplomatic cables are basically passing on information
- 21 for whatever it's worth?
- 22 A. I would have to see what she said, but I remember that
- 23 press conference, yes.

- Q. And do you recall her then saying that most leaders
- 2 understand this fact, that cables are not always accurate, they're
- 3 passing on information for whatever it's worth, and that she's found
- 4 no hesitancy on the part of leaders to share information?
- 5 A. That does not contradict my statement that there was a
- 6 chilling effect on diplomatic reporting and analysis.
- 7 Q. I understand that's your opinion. My question though to
- 8 you was are you familiar with her statement saying that she -- she
- 9 has found no hesitancy on the part of leaders to share information?
- 10 A. No part on the part of leaders sharing information with
- 11 her, yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. So you would agree with me that, obviously,
- 13 countries, whatever country we're dealing with, they act in their own
- 14 interest?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And the interests of each country are pretty well defined
- 17 by their -- either their place in the world, their economy, or their
- 18 history?
- 19 A. And current circumstances, et cetera. There are multiple
- 20 factors, ves.
- 21 Q. But these countries -- we have a -- you name a country, we
- 22 can have a pretty good idea of their general interests and what they

- 1 would want to have happen or not happen as far as their interests are
- 2 pretty well defined?
- 3 A. That's a -- that's a very, very broad statement, and I will
- 4 say yes to it as a very, very broad statement. Obviously, there are
- 5 many exceptions that occur in individual circumstances, a given
- 6 country and a given situation at a given time.
- 7 Q. Okay. Other countries, their diplomacy is not based on
- 8 whether or not they think an unpleasant article may be put out in the
- 9 press if they speak freely with us?
- 10 A. That is correct. That is correct in that sense, but it
- 11 does not go to the point that you're asking me about, is the chilling
- 12 effect on individual members of that government or individual members
- 13 of the private sector in that country being willing to share personal
- 14 opinions with United States diplomats.
- 15 Q. Okay. My question here, though, is that other countries'
- 16 diplomacy is not based on whether or not they think there's going to
- 17 be an unpleasant article written about them if they speak freely?
- 18 A. That's -- that's -- there's no yes or no answer to that
- 19 question, counselor.
- Well, I -- do you believe, I guess, other countries'
- 21 diplomacy is based upon whether or not they think an unpleasant
- 22 article is going to be published about them if they speak freely?

- 1 A. I think there are circumstances when certain governments
- 2 would base their diplomacy on that, yes.
- 3 Q. All right. All right, I'm sure you're familiar with the
- 4 comments and opinions of former Secretary Robert Gates concerning the
- 5 release of purported cables?
- 6 A. I recall generally his -- his statements.
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Okay, what I'd like to do is I'd like to -- and,
- $8\,$  Your Honor, for the record, I started to play a portion of a -- of
- 9 Under Secretary Kennedy's testimony. I'll have that marked [the CD
- 10 was marked Defense Exhibit Echo-Echo-Echo for identification] -- it's
- II on a CD. I'll have that marked now for the record. I also have
- 12 another CD. I'm going to play a portion of Secretary Gates'
- 13 statement and ask Under Secretary Kennedy to give his opinion on
- 14 that.
- 15 MJ: All right. Go ahead.
- 16 RECORDING OF MR. GATES: "Now, I have heard the impact of these
- 17 releases on our foreign policy described as a meltdown, as a game
- 18 changer and so on. I think -- I think those descriptions are fairly
- 19 significantly overwrought. The fact is governments deal with the
- 20 United States because it's in their interest, not because they like
- 21 us, not because they trust us and not because they believe we can
- 22 keep secrets. Many governments -- some governments deal with us
- 23 because they fear us, some because they respect us, most because they

- I need us. We are still essentially -- it's been said before -- the
- 2 indispensable nation. So other nations will continue to deal with
- 3 us. They will continue to work with us. We will continue to share
- 4 sensitive information with one another. Is this -- is this
- 5 embarrassing? Yes. Is it awkward? Yes. Consequences for U.S.
- 6 foreign policy? I think fairly modest."
- 7 O. Is that the statement that you were familiar with, Under
- 8 Secretary?
- 9 A. I believe that -- yes, I believe that was the statement
- 10 Secretary Gates made in 2010.
- 11 Q. All right. And do you disagree with his statement?
- 12 A. I do not disagree with his statement, but I don't think it
- 13 contradicts the statements I have made either.
- 14 Q. And why not?
- 15 A. Because what Secretary Gates is correctly talking about is
- 16 government-to-government interaction, but what I'm talking about is
- 17 diplomacy reporting, which is both government-to-government, but it
- 18 is also the interaction between individual U.S. diplomats and
- 19 government officials who give us their views in the expectation of
- 20 privacy and about U.S. diplomats interacting with private sector
- 21 businessmen, other officials, non-governmental officials in a host
- 22 country, and so the chilling effect on those interactions remain
- 23 valid and are not contradicted by Secretary Gates' statement ----

- 1 O. And those -- that ----
- 2 A. --- and nor are they encompassed in Secretary Gates'
- 3 statement.
- 4 Q. With regards to the other individuals that you're talking
- 5 about, members of -- not the government, but you're talking about
- 6 your average citizen or somebody who lives in the country?
- A. No.
- 8 Q. Or who are you talking about?
- 9 A. No, sir. I'm talking about -- I'm talking about government
- 10 officials who render us their private opinions -- their private
- 11 analysis, which is important in helping us formulate -- I'm talking
- 12 about -- it could be senior businessmen, it could be senior members
- 13 of the -- of the educational system. It could be senior members of
- 14 the press. It could be senior NGO officials.
- 15 O. And ----
- 16 A. Those are -- those are equally important in understanding,
- 17 in terms of U.S. national security, where a nation might be going and
- 18 that analytical information is critical, and that is the chilling
- 19 we're talking about.
- 20 Q. And that chilling that you're talking about is based upon
- 21 what you perceive or what you have heard from others a chilling
- 22 effect?

- 1 A. It is -- it is what has been reported to me -- I can -- as
- 2 examples -- and I'd be glad to go into examples in closed session --
- 3 of folks ----
- 4 Q. Well, I can I ask you a particular question. Have you had
- 5 anybody come to you and say "I'm no longer giving you as much
- 6 information as I have in the past?"
- 7 A. I have -- it has been reported to me that foreign officials
- 8 have said the equivalent to our diplomats overseas -- not to me, I'm
- 9 in Washington -- but have said similar constraining statements to
- 10 U.S. diplomats overseas.
- 11 Q. So, for you, that answer would be no, you haven't had
- 12 anybody come to you and indicate that we're no longer sharing as much
- 13 information with you in the past?
- 14 A. To me personally, no. But I am only one of 10,000 State
- 15 Department diplomats, and others have had it said to them.
- Q. And when you say that they're not sharing information then,
- 17 you are, at that point, believing that there is some deficit in the
- 18 information that they would have been otherwise shared, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. So it is potentially, kind of to use Secretary -- former
- 21 Secretary Rumsfeld "the known unknowns", is that what you were
- 22 talking about?
- 23 A. I'm not sure it's a known, unknown. I'm sure -- I'm -- it

- I is more likely that we have, over the course of the years, had robust
- 2 dialogue with officials, governmental and non-governmental, of very
- 3 senior levels in society across the world, and there -- there is less
- 4 frankness, less fulsome discussions now than there were before.
- 5 Q. And again, that's based upon a perception?
- 6 A. That's based upon individuals saying to State Department
- 7 diplomats that -- that they -- that they doubt that or taking other
- 8 actions to restrict those -- those -- that frankness.
- 9 Q. Are you familiar with who Alex Ross is within the
- 10 Department of State?
- 11 A. Alex Ross was an -- was an information technology guru at
- 12 the State Department until 2012, I believe.
- 13 Q. Are you aware of his statements regarding the purported
- 14 leak of the diplomatic cables?
- 15 A. No, I -- I don't remember ever seeing Alex's.
- 16 Q. I'd like to play his statement for you and then see if you
- 17 would agree or disagree with it.
- 18 [The CD was marked Defense Exhibit Foxtrot-Foxtrot-Foxtrot for
- 19 identification!
- 20 [The following is a transcript of a portion of Defense Exhibit
- 21 Foxtrot-Foxtrot-Foxtrot that was played in open court in full view of
- 22 all court-martial participants]:
- 23 Interviewer: I have a big affair that came up this year is the

- 1 WikiLeaks one. Is the State Department still recovering from Cable
- 2 Gate?
- 3 Alex Ross: You know here is the -- here's the big headline from
- 4 WikiLeaks; WikiLeaks revealed massive right-doing by American
- 5 diplomats. You know, they -- I think that what WikiLeaks
- 6 demonstrated is that our diplomats are very good at their job; that
- 7 what we are doing privately is what we say we're doing publically.
- 8 So I don't think there's much to recover from. I think that -- I
- 9 think the United States has nothing to be -- nothing but pride in the
- 10 work that our diplomats have -- have done, and I don't think there's
- 11 anything that's been revealed that should contradict that.
- 12 [END OF RECORDING PLAYBACK]
- 13 Questions continued by the civilian defense counsel [MR. COOMBS]:
- 14 Q. Were you aware of that statement?
- 15 A. No, I had not seen Alex's statement before. But, again,
- 16 like Secretary Gates, I do not disagree with his statement, but I do
- 17 not find it relevant to the point I've been making. Alex Ross was
- 18 talking about we need not be embarrassed by the reporting cables that
- 19 were filed. That's not what I'm addressing, this particular thing.
- 20 I'm addressing the fact that because of the information, and because
- 21 of the fact that people know that there's been a breach of privacy
- 22 and that they no longer have the expectation of the privacy, that
- 23 they are less willing to engage in the full and frank discussion and

- 1 exchange of ideas that they were willing to engage in before. So
- 2 Alex's statement is true and so is mine.
- Q. Okay. With regards to the purported release, the purported
- 4 SIPDIS cables range from 28 December 1966 to 28 February 2010, is
- 5 that correct?
- 6 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- 7 Q. And the vast majority of these purported cables from came
- 8 2004 or later?
- 9 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- 10 Q. And that was roughly the time period in which cables were
- 11 beginning to be shared on the Net-Centric Diplomacy database?
- 12 A. That is -- that is how SIPDIS cables -- that's where SIPDIS
- 13 cables went was to the Net-Centric Diplomacy database, yes.
- 14 Q. And of the 251,287 purported SIPDIS cables, 133,887 of them
- 15 were unclassified, is that correct?
- 16 A. I think -- I think that's about right. It was about 50/50
- 17 if my recollection is correct, ves.
- 18 O. And then 101.748 were classified as confidential?
- 19 A. T believe that's also correct.
- 20 O. And finally, 15,652 were classified as secret?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. And you conducted a classification review of a certain
- 23 subset of the purported Department of State cables?

- A. Are we referring, Counsel, to the -- to the -- to
- 2 the filing of the 100 or so cables in the -- okay -- yes.
- 3 Q. Yes. So you did a classification review of those cables?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And you were selected to do that review based upon,
- 6 basically, your duty position?
- 7 A. Yes, the Under Secretary for Management's responsibility as
- $8\,$  the senior classification officer by delegation from the Secretary of
- 9 State.
- 10 Q. And prior to this one, you had never done a classification
- 11 review before?
- 12 A. I looked at individual cables. I had classified cables,
- 13 but I had not done -- I have not done a filing such as this, no, sir,
- 14 never before.
- 15 Q. And you had assistance, obviously, in completing this
- 16 classification review?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 O. And who, in general, assisted you?
- 19 A. This was subject matter experts within the State
- 20 Department, both subject matter as to the rules and regulations of
- 21 classification and subject matter as to the content of the cable, so
- 22 the regional or functional bureau -- experts on that matter and the

- 1 classification experts from the Department to the rules and
- 2 regulations.
- 3 O. And how did they assist you in the review?
- 4 A. They prepared -- they prepared what is called an action
- 5 memo to me, which is a memo saying that we've conducted the review,
- 6 here is the material outlined, the situation, and said do you -- do
- 7 you concur or non-concur, do you approve or disapprove the attached
- 8 filing. And so I read through the filing and -- and concurred in it.
- 9 Q. No one actually sat down and briefed you on any of the
- 10 hundred or so purported cables?
- 11 A. No, no one sat there and briefed me on every -- no.
- 12 O. And when you reviewed the document, the document that you
- 13 reviewed was ultimately the document that you signed, is that
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. That's correct. And I also had -- I believe -- if my
- 16 recollection is correct -- this is some time ago -- I believe I also
- 17 had a binder which had the cables themselves.
- 18 Q. Did you actually type any of the classification review?
- 19 A. No. sir.
- 20 O. Did you make any changes to the classification review?
- 21 A. No, because I concurred in it.
- Q. And you indicated that you thought you had an attachment
- 23 with the 100 or so purported cables?

- 1 A. That's the best of my recollection.
- Q. Did you read each cable from start to finish as you were
- 3 doing your classification review?
- 4 A. I would read the -- the document, and then I think I
- 5 skimmed through the cables.
- 6 Q. So the answer would be no, you didn't read each cable from
- 7 start to finish?
- 8 A. I did not -- I do not believe I read each cable word-for-
- 9 word, no.
- 10 Q. What classification guide did you use to complete your
- 11 classification review?
- 12 A. The -- the current classification guide, which is
- 13 confidential; you have damage, grave damage, and exceptionally grave
- 14 damage, confidential, secret, and top secret, which is the cur ----
- 15 Q. Did you actually have that classification review next to
- 16 you as you were doing this ----
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. ---- or -- excuse me, classification guide?
- 19 A. No. sir.
- 20 O. What is ----
- 21 A. When you classify -- when you classify cables, you -- you
- 22 have taken in what the guidelines are, and then you do that -- since
- 23 I classify cables all the time, I know what -- I know what the rules

- 1 are. When I'm reviewing something that someone else classifies, I
- 2 use the same processes that -- when I would classify a cable in my
- 3 own right.
- 4 O. All right. So then you didn't feel the need at that point,
- 5 based upon your experience and knowledge, to use the classification
- 6 guide?
- 7 A. No, sir. I used the principles of the classification
- 8 guide, not a hard copy.
- 9 Q. And what experience do you have in using the classification
- 10 guide -- actually physically using it?
- 11 A. I am -- I as the -- as the agency officer in charge of
- 12 classification, I am the person who signed and approved the
- 13 classification guide. And also from 1993 to 2001, when I was
- 14 Assistant Secretary of State for Administration, the classifications
- 15 and records management office in the Department worked directly for
- 16 me. So I have an intimate knowledge of how -- of how they work in
- 17 the processes.
- 18 Q. And when you -- when you say they worked for you, were you
- 19 actually reviewing what was put into the classification guide or
- 20 based upon your position were they simply telling you they're
- 21 completing the classification guide and then giving it to you for
- 22 your signature?

- A. They would give it to me for my concurrence or clearance.
- Q. Did you -- before you signed it, I guess, did you review
- 3 the entire classification guide?
- 4 A. I read what I sign.
- 5 Q. All right. So I guess the exception, then, would be just
- 6 reading the entire cables when you're doing the classification
- 7 review?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. Now, you had testified about -- now we are talking about
- 10 the August of 2011 damage assessment, okay ----
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. --- the draft damage assessment. Did you -- did you
- 13 review that draft damage assessment from start to finish?
- 14 A. I read the entire damage assessment, yes.
- 15 O. Okay. 'Cause -- was this something else that you had
- 16 signed?
- 17 A. I never signed it.
- 18 Q. Was it done at your request?
- 19 A. I requested it be done, yes.
- 20 O. And was it something that needed to have a signature then?
- 21 A. I would have approved it. If it had been -- in August of
- 22 2011, if it would have been the damage assessment, but given the
- 23 passage of time and its preparation and as we were reviewing it, we

- 1 were marching on to the Labor Day release of the next tranche of
- 2 cables. I decided that the damage assessment draft was a snapshot in
- 3 time, which was not an accurate representation of the situation
- 4 because the next tranche of WikiLeaks material purported cables was
- 5 about to be released and, therefore, saying that this represented the
- $6\,$  -- the damage assessment would have been an inaccurate statement for
- 7 me to make and approve.
- 8 Q. All right. And you had indicated that because of the fact
- 9 that the State Department viewed this as a crisis, that you -- you
- 10 basically went into a crisis management mode, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And, obviously, by just using the term "crisis" that means
- 13 it's something that's serious?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 O. And you had said on direct that it was, in fact, very, very
- 16 serious and that's why you had ----
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 O. --- conducted your response. And that's also why you had
- 19 the impact review going initially to see what the impact ----
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. ---- was of the purported leak, is that right?
- A. Correct.

- 1 Q. You had indicated that you reviewed this draft in August of
- 2 2011, but you -- at least at the time of the draft, you -- did you
- 3 approve or not approve of what was said in the draft?
- 4 A. It never reached that point. I did not approve or
- 5 disapprove it because there was a second tranche of documents coming,
- 7 the purported WikiLeaks release would have been inaccurate because it
- 8 was not the entire scope ----
- 9 Q. All right.
- 10 A. ---- and, therefore, I ----
- 11 Q. And you indicated it was a snapshot, basically, is what you
- 12 thought up until that point?
- 13 A. It was a snapshot, yes.
- 14 O. And it was a snapshot up until that point, correct --
- 15 August of 2011?
- 16 A. It was a snapshot of the first tranche, yes.
- 17 O. And you haven't updated this damage assessment since,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 O. You haven't taken any more snapshots in time?
- A. No.
- 22 O. And it's obviously possible to do that, is it not?
- 23 A. It is.

- Q. And isn't it possible, if you don't do that, that you would
- 2 miss something?
- A. No.
- 4 O. You don't think it's possible that you might miss some
- 5 potential damage if you don't -- if you don't do a Department of
- 6 State-wide damage assessment?
- 7 A. No, because a damage assessment of this nature is very
- 8 different in my mind from other damage assessments that are done.
- 9 Other damage assessments to which I'm aware of or compromise of a
- 10 piece of equipment or an -- an -- a case of an individual with
- 11 limited -- with limited access that he or she has to a string of
- 12 cases. At 251,000 cables, this is a much wider range and, therefore,
- 13 the scope of damage is much wider.
- 14 Q. Right, but if you -- if you took snapshots in time, I guess
- 15 maybe at the end of 2011, end of 2012, maybe coming up end of 2013,
- 17 point, would you not?
- 18 A. It's a very, very labor intensive activity to engage in
- 19 such -- in such damage assessments. The damage assessments -- we are
- 20 -- we are aware of the damage that has been done as I have outlined;
- 21 the chilling effect and, therefore, I do not see a need to do a
- 22 snapshot now because the -- because the damage continues to roll on.

- 1 O. Now, I guess if -- I mean, that's obviously your opinion
- 2 that it continues to roll on, if you did a final damage assessment or
- 3 a damage assessment that was a snapshot, we would have a State
- 4 Department position as to what the damage was at that point, would we
- 5 not?
- 6 A. Snapshots -- snapshots, I do not believe are a valid tool
- 7 when you have an ongoing situation.
- 8 Q. Do you know whether or not there is a final damage
- 9 assessment in the works?
- 10 A. I'm not aware of a State Department final damage assessment
- 11 in the works, no.
- 12 O. Has anyone ever spoken to you or indicated to you that a
- 13 final damage assessment will be completed at some point?
- 14 A. I know that the -- I know that the Department of Defense
- 15 has done work, and I believe the intelligence community has done
- 16 work, but for -- in terms of the State Department, no.
- 17 O. Now, obviously, you had indicated that you were and have
- 18 been a part of the Department of State since 1973?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 O. And clearly, being part of an organization for this length
- 21 of time, you have a vested interest in making the Department of State
- 22 look good?

- 1 A. That's another question that I don't think is amenable to a
- 2 yes or no answer.
- 3 Q. Okay. You can -- you don't have to simply limit it to a
- 4 ves or no. You can give me a longer answer if you wish.
- 5 A. Of course, I've been a -- I've been a Foreign Service
- 6 officer for 40 years. Of course, I am proud of the agency at which I
- 7 work. I am proud of our agency's contribution to the national
- 8 security, but I don't think that pride goes to the point of saying
- 9 that I will defend the State Department at any cost and/or defend the
- 10 State Department when it's wrong.
- 11 Q. Now, let's talk about this draft damage assessment a little
- 12 bit more. Obviously, it was an investigation as to, at that point,
- 13 what the damage was, would you agree?
- 14 A. It was a review of reports from the field, yes.
- 15 Q. And just as a general standpoint or proposition, it's
- 16 important to complete investigations?
- 17 A. This is not -- this is not an investigation. I totally
- 18 agree -- if you take the word investigation -- "investigation" has a
- 19 particular art form, I'm sure, in the law enforcement community, and
- 20 I know what investigations are because the State Department's law
- 21 enforcement arm works for me, but this was not an investigation.
- 22 This was -- this was an analysis, and the snapshot analysis has not
- 23 been completed because the damage continues to roll out.

- Q. Well, obviously, you had just testified that you would have
- 2 no desire to minimize an investigation just because it might make the
- 3 State Department look bad, is that correct?
- 4 A. I said -- absolutely. I said I have no desire to -- to
- 5 either perjure myself or -- or lower my -- my standards by -- by
- 6 doing something that's inappropriate.
- 7 O. And with regards to an investigation, if the investigation
- 8 indicated or a damage assessment indicated that there was no damage
- 9 or it was simply embarrassment, then, at that point, based upon what
- 10 you just said, your interest would be to have that completed and
- 11 known, is that correct?
- 12 A. Well, if we were talking about a -- an informal
- 13 investigation or if we had talked about -- if we are talking about a
- 14 snapshot that showed that there was no damage, I would take that
- 15 position. But this was not an investigation. This was an analysis,
- 16 and the analysis didn't -- even, at the snapshot point in time, did
- 17 not show no damage.
- 18 O. All right. And even at this point, though, there's been no
- 19 need or desire to do another snapshot?
- 20 A. No. sir.
- 21 [Pause]
- 22 O. You had said that your desire would not be to stop an
- 23 investigation or -- or cease an investigation just because it might

- 1 make the State Department look bad, right?
- A. I said I would not stop an investigation if it would --
- 3 just because it would make the State Department look bad, yes.
- 4 Q. Is there any sort of investigation now into you for that
- 5 very thing of stopping an investigation?
- 6 A. There is somebody who wrote a letter saying that I stopped
- 7 an investigation, yes.
- 8 Q. And is that being investigated at this point?
- 9 A. Of course, when something is investigated, it's looked into
- 10 by the State Department's IT.
- 11 Q. And is the allegation essentially that you stopped the
- 12 investigation in order to avoid the State Department from looking
- 13 bad?
- 14 A. No. I have no idea what the -- what the allegation is. It
- 15 just says that I stopped an investigation. And it happens to be
- 16 entirely false.
- 17 O. Okay. The ambassador that it dealt with, was that person
- 18 replaced?
- 19 A. That person -- that per -- the individual who was there had
- 20 a four-year appointment, and when the -- when -- when administrations
- 21 change, including a President to a reelected sitting President, the
- 22 four years is up, and the individual did not leave short of tour.
- 23 No, he was not replaced because of the accusations.

- Q. Okay.
- A. His tour was up.
- Q. And currently, right now, you said that investigation is
- 4 ongoing?
- 5 A. I believe the inspect -- you'd have to ask the inspector
- 6 general about -- that inspector general is outside of my purview.
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: All right. No further questions.
- 8 MJ: All right, government, you want a recess before we go to
- 9 redirect?
- 10 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 11 MJ: How long?
- 12 TC[MAJ FEIN]: May I have a moment, Your Honor?
- 13 [Pause]
- 14 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Ma'am, may we have a 10-minute recess?
- 15 MJ: All right.
- 16 TC[MAJ FEIN]: We don't anticipate a long redirect, ma'am.
- 17 MJ: Under Secretary Kennedy, same rules apply. Please don't
- 18 discuss your testimony during the recess. Court will be in recess
- 19 until in 10 minutes to 1300.
- 20 [The court-martial recessed to order at 1238, 5 August 2013.]
- 21 [The court-martial was called to order at 1251, 5 August 2013.]
- 22 MJ: Court is called to order. Let the record reflect that all
- 23 parties present when the Court last recessed are again present in the

- 1 court. The witness is on the witness stand. Redirect?
- 2 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 3 MJ: Under Secretary, I have a couple of questions. I just need
- 4 to find them.

## 5 EXAMINATION BY THE COURT-MARTIAL

## 6 Questions by the military judge:

- 7 Q. You testified earlier that -- I just found them. You
- 8 testified earlier on direct examination that I believe -- and please
- 9 correct if I have misquoted your testimony -- that there were
- 10 approximately 250,000-plus cables on the NCD database and on the
- 11 STPRNet back in 2010?
- 12 A. Yes, Your Honor.
- 13 Q. And that there were approximately 2.4 million other cables?
- 14 A. Not sure under -- well, the State Department produces, as I
- 15 mentioned, lots of diplomatic reporting and other administrative
- 16 cables. Only a certain percentage of those carried the SIPDIS
- 17 caption, which then pushed them into the -- into the NCD -- the Net-
- 18 Centric database. The re -- there were -- there was a full range of
- 19 different types of reporting in there and there was a full range of
- 20 reporting on the cables as well.
- 21 O. Does the -- these other 2.4 million cables, I know you
- 22 testified in response -- I believe it was to defense counsel's

- 1 questions -- that there were a variety of different kinds of
- 2 distribution systems that were very limited ----
- A. Yes.
- 4 O. --- like NODIS and some of the other ones. Was it the
- 5 Department of State's intent to release or allow other agencies to
- 6 view cables that -- that could help them in their national security -
- 7 ---
- A. Absolutely.
- 9 Q. ---- jobs with SIP -- with SIPDIS?
- 10 A. Both SIPDIS and what we just called, for want of a better
- 11 term, the legacy distribution systems. We pushed cables out to a
- 12 wide range; classified and unclassified. For example, we send cables
- 13 to the Food & Drug Administration. We send cables to the
- 14 export/import bank. It depends on what the subject matter of the
- 15 cable is. We -- we get them to whatever U.S. government agency needs
- 16 that cable in order to do its mission. SIPDIS was an invention at
- 17 the request of the Department of -- the Department of Defense and the
- 18 intelligence community -- Office of the Director of National
- 19 Intelligence saying -- trying to help in the distribution of cables
- 20 at the agency end. That the system that we had which simply pushed
- 21 the cables from the State Department's communication center to the
- 22 communications center of the other agency where they then had to
- 23 redirect -- they had to direct them to the respective entities in

- 1 their entities. They were having a problem with that. And so it was
- 2 can you push some of your reporting cables to this Net-Centric
- 3 Diplomacy database using the SIPDIS caption? And then the
- 4 appropriate analyst would pull the cables in their area of
- 5 responsibility down. And it was an attempt to -- to ease the
- 6 distribution burden on the part of the other agencies. But this is
- 7 all part of our intent to make State Department diplomatic reporting
- 8 available to any agency in the United States government with
- 9 classified personnel, who will maintain -- because we have an
- 10 agreement -- we have an agreement that goes back years and years with
- 11 the Department of Defense, for example, that says that -- that the
- 12 agency receiving the classified material takes responsibility for
- 13 ensuring that those who are given access to it have the appropriate
- 14 clearances because it would be -- for the State Department to try to
- 15 find analyst "A" at Fort Huachuca, or analyst "B" at Bolling, or
- 16 analyst "C" at Fort Gordon, that's is just simply beyond our ken. So
- 17 we push it -- we push it out and then other agencies either
- 18 distribute it or they pull it.
- 19 O. All right. Thank you. Just shifting to another area now,
- 20 you testified in your opinion that the communications between -- not
- 21 from government-to-government level, but with the diplomats and the
- 22 people they talked to ----
- 23 A. Yes, ma'am.

- 1 Q. --- in the foreign countries is chilled. And I believe
- 2 you testified that that was reported to you. How -- how frequently?
- 3 A. We have -- we have examples and I would be ----
- 4 Q. I'm not asking you to go into the specifics --
- 5 A. We have ----
- 6 Q. ---- of anything ----
- 7 A. ---- we have ----
- 8 Q. ---- just give me a flavor for numbers.
- 9 A. It's a relatively small number of people actually
- 10 expressing it, but more of our colleagues have a sense that they --
- 11 that the dialogue that they are engaging in with the foreign
- 12 interlocutors is not as full as it once was before. Several cases --
- 13 people have just said we're -- we cannot -- we're not going to share
- 14 with you like we used to. Other cases of individuals just feeling
- 15 that they're not getting the kind of -- kind of exchanges that they
- 16 had before the -- the WikiLeaks.
- 17 Q. Now, these disclosures took place in -- I believe in the
- 18 Department of State cables, you were talking about November of 2010,
- 19 followed by the second tranche, as you described it, in September of
- 20 2011.
- 21 A. Yes, Your Honor.
- 22 O. These feelings that you're talking about, were they
- 23 manifest -- expressed to you in 2011, 2012, 2013?

- 1 A. They -- they started -- they started in 2010, and I believe
- 2 that -- that my colleagues abroad are still feeling the chill. But I
- 3 cannot -- I cannot go to the depth of -- it's impossible to know what
- 4 someone is not sharing with you, and that is, in itself, I believe, a
- 5 risk to national security.
- 6 Q. And, I know you did testify about this, I just want to make
- 7 sure I'm clear on that. You testified earlier, I believe, in
- 8 response to defense counsel's question that there was a draft damage
- 9 assessment done in draft form approximately around August 2010,
- 10 before the next wave of releases?
- 11 A. Your Honor, it was August 2011.
- Q. I'm sorry, August 2011.
- 13 A. 2011. It reached me -- I was reviewing it, talking to
- 14 people, and then the second -- Labor Day -- the Labor Day second
- 15 large tranche of purported documents were released. And so, at that
- 16 point, it was clear to me that the -- that the -- that the earlier
- 17 snapshot, which showed, you know, bad results from the leaks, it was
- 18 not -- and it hadn't done after, you know, a year of -- it was not
- 19 appropriate to restart it again because it would -- the sec -- it
- 20 would -- we would need time to -- for the second to play out.
- 21 O. And if you can't answer this in an open setting, please
- 22 don't, but with the original draft, was there -- did that encompass

- 1 an assessment of everything that the Department of State thought
- 2 might be released or what was released?
- A. No -- was released.
- 4 MJ: Any follow-up based on that?
- 5 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 6 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 7 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- 8 Questions by the civilian defense counsel [MR. COOMBS]:
- 9 Q. The legacy distribution system, if you could, explain that
- 10 in general format for the Court.
- 11 A. Certainly. A telegram would arrive at -- at the State
- 12 Department's communication center in Washington. It would be read by
- 13 an artificial intelligence looking at the caption, looking at the
- 14 tags. Tags are a four-digit or two-digit in detention indicator.
- 15 Every country in the word has two letters, and there are a series of
- 16 tags which are arranged from "A" tags, which are administrative to
- 17  $^{\circ}$ P" tags, which are political reporting, to  $^{\circ}$ E" tags, and then the
- 18 following three letters mean the type of economic political cultural
- 19 counselor activity. And so this automated intelligence reads all of
- 20 this and decides that this information is a value to the national
- 21 security staff -- the Department of Defense or to whomever depending
- 22 on the subject on the base of this. And then pushes that message
- 23 over classified circuits to a designated communications center at

- I whatever agency involved. And then that agency, on receipt of it,
- 2 makes distribution within its entity to whomever it deems appropriate
- 3 with the -- with the security clearances.
- 4 Q. When you had testified that during the same time 250,000
- 5 SIPDIS cables were put in the Net-Centric database
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 O. ---- you had 2.4 million cables ----
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. ---- unrelated to that going through these legacy
- 10 distribution systems?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 O. And those were going to the other 65 interagency partners?
- 13 A. They were going to all -- well, not everyone ----
- 14 Q. Right.
- 15 A. -- to every 65, but the one that the -- AMADs -- A-M-A-D-s,
- 16 the distribution system picked up and decided should be routed there
- 17 on the basis of reading the -- reading the cable, looking for
- 18 keywords and terms, the tags, and the -- the -- the captions, if
- 19 there were any.
- 20 O. And that number, that 2.4 million, that was for 2005 to
- 21 2010?
- 22 A. Yeah. It -- it was for a comparable period.
- 23 Q. Okay.

- A. And there was obviously a lot of administrative processing
- 2 cables in that period as well.
- 3 O. Now, with regards to the small number of people that --
- 4 that had expressed a kind of chilling effect, and then the colleague
- 5 saying I think there's a greater number of people, at least per our
- 6 impressions, did the State Department ever quantify that or graph
- 7 that in any way to show?
- 8 A. No. No. There also is a belief also there have been -- we
- 9 had to make personnel changes at some embassy; and I don't want to go
- 10 into any greater depth than to say that. So that's another example
- 11 of a chilling effect.
- 12 Q. With regards to the chilling effect that you believe is
- 13 present, did that wane at all from 2011 2012?
- 14 A. I believe that's -- I believe that's hard to tell. I don't
- 15 -- I don't believe we have the full measure yet. I cannot answer
- 16 that question. I wish I could, but I cannot.
- 17 Q. So from your perspective, at least from what you can see
- 18 and what you understand, you can't discern a difference between what
- 19 might have been the chilling effect in 2011 2012 vice 2013?
- 20 A. It's -- I -- it's the same chilling effect. If you're
- 21 trying to -- I can't ----
- 22 Q. No, just the level of it.
- 23 A. No -- no, I cannot.

- 1 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Okay. No further questions, ma'am.
- 2 MJ: All right. Thank you.
- 3 TC[MAJ FEIN]: May we have a moment, Your Honor?
- 4 MJ: Yes.
- 5 [Pause]

## 6 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

## 7 Questions by the trial counsel [MAJ FEIN]:

- 8 Q. Sir, in reference to your testimony just now, specifically
- 9 about the 2. -- approximately 2.4 million cables through the legacy
- 10 system, what did you mean by alleged contained admin' type cables?
- 11 A. I mean, they would -- there was some percentage of those
- 12 cables -- and, Major, I don't have the exact number that -- that
- 13 would never have been -- catagor -- you know, candidates for -- for
- 14 SIPDIS. Since I was interpreting that as a question about
- 15 potentially comparing the -- the relative sizes -- cables reporting
- 16 on freight movements, travel orders, assignment notifications,
- 17 temporary duty, flight arrivals, those -- those would have been in
- 18 there. So a 2.4 to 250,000 is not a -- is not a direct 10 to 1
- 19 comparison because what would have been put in -- in SIPDIS is not --
- 20 we would not have loaded those kind of administrative tract --
- 21 financial -- here is -- here American embassy's Shangdu's financial
- 22 allotment for the -- for the next quarter. Those would not have been
- 23 put in SIPDIS.

- 1 Q. And, sir, as far as the classification breakdown of 251,000
- 2 purported cables, those cables are never reviewed for their actual
- 3 classification, correct?
- A. We never reviewed all 250,000, no.
- 5 Q. So those numbers, sir, that you gave during cross-
- 6 examination, the breakdown -- about 50 percent were unclassified, 50
- 7 percent were classified, what do you mean by that?
- 8 A. Well, the -- well, we didn't -- when you say reviewed --
- 9 when you said reviewed for classification, I was using the same
- 10 phraseology as defense counsel had been using. We -- we were able to
- 11 aggregate and disaggregate them of how many were classified and how
- 12 many were unclassified. But we did not consult -- conduct a review
- 13 of the -- of the about half which were classified in the same way
- 14 that the -- that the filing did.
- 15 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, sir. Thank you, sir.
- 16 MJ: Anything else?
- 17 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Nothing, Your Honor.
- 18 MJ: I just have one last one based on that.
- 19 EXAMINATION BY THE COURT-MARTIAL

## 20 Questions by the military judge:

- 21 Q. The -- can you give me a flavor of -- you said that there's
- 22 2.4 and it's not a direct correlation with the 250,000 that were on
- 23 SIPDIS because you have these administrative and -- do those

- 1 administrative and, I guess, cables that are only of interest to a
- 2 few people that wouldn't go out to the interagency, out of the 2.4
- 3 million, would that be, say, 50 percent, 25 percent, 75 percent? I
- 4 don't need an exact figure, but this ----
- 5 A. Your Honor, I -- I would be only guessing. And I'm very,
- 6 very hesitant to do that ----
- 7 Q. All right. And I'd like you ----
- 8 A. ---- just because ----
- 9 Q. ---- not to. So that's fine.
- 10 Q. ---- just because that's not a way that I've ever -- I've
- 11 ever cut them in my mind or had it presented to me.
- MJ: All right. Any follow-up based on that?
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No, Your Honor.
- 14 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 15 MJ: May this witness be excused?
- 16 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. Permanent excusal.
- 17 [The witness was permanently excused, and withdrew from the
- 18 courtroom.]
- MJ: All right. We talked earlier today about proceeding with
- 20 the unreasonable multiplication of charges motion potentially this
- 21 afternoon. How would the parties -- would you like to confer and
- 22 decide how you might like to proceed?

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. We -- we conferred during the last
- 2 recess. The United States requests that we reconvene at 1430, which
- 3 will give us enough time for lunch, and then hopefully to agree on
- 4 this proffer of expected testimony -- and write it.
- 5 MJ: All right. And then we'll have oral argument with respect
- 6 to that motion?
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 8 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 9 MJ: Okay. And is there anything else we need to address today?
- 10 I assume we're not going to have any other witness from the
- 11 government?
- 12 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- MJ: Okay. 1430. All right. Court is in recess until 1430.
- 14 [The court-martial recessed at 1309, 5 August 2013.]
- 15 [The court-martial was called to order at 1441, 5 August 2013.]
- 16 MJ: Court is called to order. Major Fein, please account for
- 17 the parties.
- 18 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Your Honor, all the parties when the Court last
- 19 recessed are again present, with the exception of Captain Overgaard.
- 20 MJ: All right. Thank you. I've been handed a copy of
- 21 Appellate Exhibit 635, which is a Stipulation of Expected Testimony
- 22 of Special Agent David Shaver. Did both sides come to agreement with
- 23 regard to the stipulation?

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, Ma'am.
- 2 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 3 MJ: PFC Manning, we've been through this before.
- 4 ACC: Yes, Your Honor.
- 5 MJ: Is that your signature there on the bottom of -- the bottom
- 6 right corner of the Stipulation of Expected Testimony for Special
- 7 Agent David Shaver?
- 8 ACC: Yes, Your Honor.
- 9 MJ: Before signing the Stipulation, did you read it thoroughly?
- 10 ACC: Yes, ma'am.
- MJ: You understand the contents of the Stipulation?
- 12 ACC: I do, ma'am.
- 13 MJ: Do you agree with the contents of the Stipulation?
- 14 ACC: Yes, Your Honor.
- MJ: Before signing the Stipulation did your defense team
- 16 explain the stipulation to you?
- 17 ACC: Yes, Your Honor.
- 18 MJ: You understand you have an absolute right to refuse to
- 19 stipulate to the contents of this document?
- 20 ACC: Yes, ma'am.
- 21 MJ: You understand that you should only enter into a
- 22 stipulation only if you believe it's in your best interest to do
- 23 that?

- 1 ACC: Yes, Ma'am.
- 2 MJ: And you understand this is a stipulation of expected
- 3 testimony. And, once again, what that means is, when counsel for
- 4 both sides and you agree to a stipulation of expected testimony,
- 5 you're agreeing that if Special Agent David Shaver were here in Court
- 6 and testifying under oath, he would testify substantially as set
- 7 forth in Appellate Exhibit 635. A stipulation can be -- it does not
- 8 admit the truth of a person's testimony. The stipulation can be
- 9 contradicted, attacked, or explained in the same way as if the person
- 10 was testifying in person. Do you understand that?
- 11 ACC: Yes, ma'am.
- 12 MJ: And knowing everything I have told you and your defense
- 13 counsel has told you, do you still want to enter into this
- 14 stipulation?
- 15 ACC: Yes, Your Honor.
- 16 MJ: All right. Now this is not admitted into evidence. This
- 17 is an appellate exhibit that I'll consider for purposes of this
- 18 motion. All right. So we have three motions here. Are the parties
- 19 ready to arque? Let's start with the motions to merge Specifications
- 20 4 and 6 of Charge II for findings.
- 21 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 22 MJ: Before you start, I do have a question for you. Where is
- 23 my evidence that this is -- that these -- the -- the acts in

- Specifications 4 and 6 happened at the same time, same date? 1
- CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor. And that's where Special Agent 2
- David Shaver's stip of expected testimony will come into handy --3
- into hand. 4

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- The evidence that you had essentially was the SIGACTs from 5
- both Iraq and from Afghanistan were taken from the T-SCIF and 6
- ultimately placed on a SD card. And the evidence was that the -- the 7
- dates or the last written date on the SD card were 5 January 2010 for 8
- the Iraq SIGACTs, and 8 January 2010 for the Afghanistan SIGACTs. 9
- The important fact to note though is that's the last date in which 10
- 11 something was changed, not the date in which those items were placed
- on the SD card. So, in other words, you could have a CD in -- in the 12
- SCIF that you -- you've taken all the SIGACTs up to December 31st of
- 2009, which is -- that's the evidence, and you burned all that on 3 14
- January 2010, and then that CD stays in the SCIF. You do the same
- thing up to December 31st, 2009, for all the Afghanistan SIGACTs, and 16
- 17 you burn a CD, and that CD is burned on 8 January 2010.
- MJ: So you are arguing to me that up until it leaves the SCIF 18
- everything is legitimate and is not part of the theft. 19
- CDC[MR COOMBS]: That's correct. And that we've got plenty of 20
- evidence from the witnesses who've testified that there was no 21
- prohibition on -- on saving this information or any other information 22
- that you wanted from SIPRNet onto a disk. Now you do have -- and 23

- 1 then here you don't even have the use of a Wget or anything like
- 2 that. You have a legitimate export monthly of Excel SIGACTs which,
- 3 again, I know ----
- 4 MJ: That has to assume. I don't have to find -- I don't find
- 5 an intent to steal on the 3rd of January and on the 7th of January,
- 6 right?
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Right. If the -- if the idea was -- if the
- 8 Court was convinced based upon the evidence that the intent to steal
- 9 or to permanently deprive or what not was done at the time these
- 10 things were being pulled month by month -- I guess that could even go
- 11 back to sometime when he initially started saving them. But I think
- 12 the evidence shows -- and Chief Hack's testimony helps support this -
- 13 that PFC Manning was one of those individuals who was very, very
- 14 organized, saved an immense amount of information and files. And
- 15 also from the testify of Captain Fulton, he was even given a task of
- 16 going back for the last year going through the SIGACTs and pulling
- 17 them in order to discern the attacks on the brigade over the past
- 18 year. So he was pulling stuff for legitimate purposes. I think the
- 19 evidence would be more supportive of the idea that he was pulling all
- 20 these because he could -- export them bimonthly, just have them all
- 21 on the CD. And the actual taking from the T -- from the T-SCIF back
- 22 to his CHU, that's what's important from Special Agent Shaver's
- 23 testimony in that those dates don't mean anything with regards to

- I when it was put on the SD card because the last written date would
- 2 not change. It would stay the same unless somebody went in and --
- 3 and altered a period or did some modification, and then you would
- 4 have a change. So, as Special Agent Shaver testified in the stip
- 5 expected testimony, he has no way of knowing whether or not that was
- 6 done on the SIPRNet or the personal Mac computer, and no way of
- 7 knowing the date -- the exact date in which it was moved to his
- 8 personal Mac computer.
- 9 So just as -- as the -- there is no, I guess, argument with
- 11 date and time, the government's position -- or, excuse me, the
- 12 defense's position is that the evidence elicited by the government,
- 13 and on cross by the defense, and through this stip of expected
- 14 testimony, would support that the taking of the SIGACTs were done at
- 15 the same time as well.
- 16 MJ: All right. Talk to me once again. So we've got the
- 17 contents that are listed on Prosecution Exhibit 50; they've got the
- 18 last written date on 1-8 -- January 8th for the Afghanistan events
- 19 and January 5th for the Iraq events.
- 20 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, ma'am.
- 21 MJ: Now what is the significance of that versus the last
- 22 paragraph where they're talking about the 30th of January?

- 1 CDC[MR COOMBS]: That the only -- when you have the two last
- 2 written dates, that's the last time something was modified. And you
- 3 can't tell if that was done in the T-SCIF or that was done on PFC
- 4 Manning's personal Mac computer. So there's no way of knowing that.
- 5 All we know is those were the last dates that that dataset was
- 6 modified in some way. The 1-30-2010 date, the government is saying
- 7 that because his computer was -- was wiped on the 31st, that we know
- 8 it must have gotten on his computer by the 30th. That is their
- 9 belief. And that's what Special Agent Shaver would testify to.
- 10 MJ: Okay. All right. I think I understand the defense's
- 11 position. Why don't we go all the way through the defense arguments
- 12 here and then I'll switch over to the government.
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Sure, Your Honor. Five and seven; just very
- 14 straightforward, we agree that that occurred on the same date and
- 15 time. The government doesn't object to merging them for sentencing,
- 16 but does object to findings ----
- 17 MJ: Let me ask you a question on this one; you haven't asked me
- 18 to merge them for sentencing. Should I not merge them for -- should
- 19 I not merge them for findings -- that's Specification 4 and 6, and
- 20 Specification 5 and 7 of Charge II; do you want me to consider them
- 21 as one for sentencing?
- 22 CDC[MR COOMBS]: I did ask for my Category I offenses, I
- 23 asked to merge 4, 5, 6 and 7 into one specification. But then, in a

- 1 footnote in my motion -- my UMC motion, I -- I highlight the fact
- 2 I've already asked that you combine 4 and 6 for findings and 5 and 7
- 3 for findings.
- 4 MJ: Okay. Okay.
- 5 CDC[MR COOMBS]: So I guess, if the Court didn't do 4 and 6
- $6\,$  or  $5\,$  and  $7\,$  for findings, then my request for sentencing would be
- 7 combine those four into one ----
- 8 MJ: Okay.
- 9 CDC[MR COOMBS]: ---- 10-year offense. And -- and that
- 10 really kind of gets us then to the -- the UMC for sentencing motion.
- 11 And as ----
- 12 MJ: Maybe I'm not understanding your motion. Let me make sure
- 13 ----
- 14 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 15 MJ: --- so in Category I of your unreasonable multiplication
- 16 for sentencing, I thought you were asking me for three separate
- 17 specifications -- 4 and 5, 6 and 7, and 8 and 9, so basically
- 18 considering each of those pairs as mul -- unreasonable multiplication
- 19 of charges. You want me to consider all six of them as one offense?
- 20 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No, Your Honor, 4 and 5, and 6 and 7 -- so I
- 21 divided up between the 641 and 793 offense ----
- 22 MJ: Yes.

- 1 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: ---- and then for 4, 5, 6, and 7, I said
- 2 combine them into one offense.
- 3 MJ: Okay, where did you say that? Maybe I'm confused.
- 4 [Pause]
- 5 CDC[MR COOMBS]: On the conclusion, 9(A) on Page 4, ma'am.
- 6 MJ: Okay. All right. I got it.
- 7 CDC[MR COOMBS]: So with regards to the Category I, you have the
- 8 641 offense; the taking, and the 793 offense; the giving of the
- 9 information to an unauthorized individual. So, the defense's
- 10 argument is essentially that 4, 5, 6 and 7, and 8 and 9 is conduct
- 11 that essentially rose out of the single ongoing act and part of the
- 12 same impulse. The exact reason in U.S. v. Campbell ----
- 13 MJ: So now you want 8 and 9 with 4, 5, 6 and 7?
- 14 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No. I'm -- I just combined those because
- 15 they're 641 and 793 offenses.
- 16 MJ: Okay.
- 17 CDC[MR COOMBS]: But -- no -- 4 and 5 into one offense, 6 and
- 18 7 into one offense, then, in my conclusion, combined those into one -
- 19 8 and 9 into one offense.
- 20 MJ: Okay.
- 21 CDC[MR COOMBS]: And -- and the reason why is because they
- 22 are part of that single ongoing act of the actual taking in order to
- 23 -- to give to an unauthorized individual. And here I think -- and

- 1 this also kind of applies to the -- the 641 offense in Category II of
- 2 Specification 12 and Specification 13 for the 1030(a)(1). The
- 3 defense's argument there is similar, in that you have an ongoing act.
- 4 In order to actually give it to an unauthorized person, you know,
- 5 exceed your authorized access, the taking of that is the single
- 6 ongoing course of action. And when you look at the government's
- 7 filing in Appellate Exhibit 599, that was their initial response to
- 8 the 917 motions, the government consistently argued that the theft of
- 9 the records was tied to the actual unauthorized disclosure of the
- 10 records. And I'll just highlight for the Court to look at on Page 14
- 11 of Appellate Exhibit 599, and Page 16 of Appellate Exhibit 599 --
- MJ: Okay, let me get there.
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: -- just a couple of the -- of the
  - 14 government's statements. So ----
- 15 MJ: You said -- what exhibit? I have ----
- 16 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Appellate Exhibit 599.
- 17 MJ: Are you looking at their current ----
- 18 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No. Appellate Exhibit 599 ----
- 19 MJ: --- their current response or the ----
- 20 CDC[MR COOMBS]: ---- is their 9 -- and I can ----
- 21 MJ: I thought I had Appellate Exhibit 58. Maybe I'm confused
- 22 again.
- 23 [Pause]

- 1 MJ: Mr. Coombs, are we looking at Appellate Exhibits 57 and 58?
- 2 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No, Your Honor. So, I'm handing the Court
- 3 Appellate Exhibit 599 [handing the document to the Military Judge].
- 4 And that was the government's response to the 917 motion.
- 5 MJ: Oh, the 917. Okay. Got it.
- 6 CDC[MR COOMBS]: So if the Court goes to Page 14 of Appellate
- 7 Exhibit 599. Right underneath (b)(1) where it says accused's acts
- 8 constitute theft of United States government records.
- 9 MJ: I'm sorry. Tell me where you are again.
- 10 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Right under the indented Number 1; accused's
- 11 acts constitute theft.
- 12 MJ: Okav.
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: So you go in -- that first sentence there,
- 14 theft of records occurs when copies of the records are transmitted to
- 15 the unauthorized party even though the records remain in the custody
- 16 and control of the United States. Then if you go to the last
- 17 paragraph, that starts off in his chat logs, the government states,
- 18 in his chat log the accused admitted to exporting the data from the
- 19 United States government computer system onto his personal computer
- 20 and compromising the data by conveying it to Mr. Julian Assange. And
- 21 ma'am, if you turn to Page 16, at the very top, the -- right after
- 22 the cite, they start off with, conversion of computerized records as
- 23 a misuse or abuse of property, its use in a unauthorized manner

- 1 occurs when an accused transfers information to an unauthorized
- 2 party. Then they start the next paragraph; conveyance of the United
- 3 States government records to an unauthorized party constitutes
- 4 conversion under Section 641. In the middle of that same paragraph
- 5 they say here the accused converted the United States government
- 6 records by conveying them to WikiLeaks. WikiLeaks lacked the
- 7 authority to possess this information. And then they end that
- 8 paragraph; in the incident case, the accused stole and converted the
- 9 United States government records by transferring them to an
- 10 unauthorized party or onto his personal computer. Additionally, this
- 11 conveyance harmed the United States interest and exclusive possession
- 12 of the information in the records, thereby, further adding to the
- 13 conversion caused by the accused. They continue in the next
- 14 paragraph; furthermore, disclosure of the United States Government
- 15 proprietary information creates criminal liability for converting
- 16 that information, specifically, misappropriating the information
- 17 confidentially held by one party is giving it -- by giving it to an
- 18 unauthorized party constituted interference with the right to
- 19 exclusive use of the compromised information. And then they end that
- 20 on the very bottom of Page 16; thus, the accused substantially
- 21 interfered with the United States government information by
- 22 compromising it to WikiLeaks.
- 23 The -- the Court in its ruling in Appellate Exhibit 613

- I specifically held that the government provided further evidence that
- 2 the accused extracted and removed the classified records and
- 3 information therein from the SIPR computer in the 2d BCT SCIF,
- 4 downloaded them to his own personal digital media or platform,
- 5 removed the portable digital media and platform from the 2d Brigade
- 6 SCIF, transferred the records and information therein to his personal
- 7 portable digital media platform in his private housing unit, and then
- 8 transferred the records and information therein to WikiLeaks. The
- 9 Court finds that this to be some evidence of misuse of Government
- 10 records that could substantially -- seriously and substantially
- Il interfere with the Government's property rights to control the
- 12 charged records and information therein to withstand a motion for a
- 13 finding of not guilty under R.C.M. 917. And then on the bottom of
- 14 that -- of the Court's ruling, on Page 7, the Court says, the
- 15 government's theory is that the accused knowingly converted the
- 16 records and information therein in Specifications 4, 6, 8 and 12 by
- 17 sending them to WikiLeaks.
- 18 The defense's position then is based upon what the
- 19 government represented to the Court for the 917, and then the Court's
- 20 findings based upon that, that here now clearly the 641 offenses and
- 21 the 793 offense -- the 641 offense and the 1030 offense rests on the
- 22 exact same conduct. And it's part of that ongoing conduct. Clearly
- 23 it would survive unreasonable multiplication of charges in findings

- 1 based upon different elements. But for sentencing this is the
- 2 Campbell case. This is -- in order to have given them to an
- 3 unauthorized individual you had to have taken them. So the defense's
- 4 position is that for each of the 641 offenses, they should merge
- 5 either with the 79 -- 793 offense, or with regards to the Category
- 6 II, the 641 should merge with the 1030(a)(1) offense.
- 7 MJ: So this is interesting because we have steal, purloin, or
- 8 knowingly convert. So the Government's really basically going
- 9 forward on two theories that he stole it, and then once it got on his
- 10 personal computer, the offense was complete in the conversion. So
- 11 you're really arguing to me it's the conversion piece that makes this
- 12 unreasonable multiplication of charges for sentencing?
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, but then also slightly in a vacuum not
- 14 knowing for sure without the specific findings, if the Court found
- 15 that it was a -- what the government proved for the 641s was a
- 16 conversion, or if they proved a theft, and if so, when that theft
- 17 occurred. Was it when he actually did something that would violate
- 18 the exclusive possession of the property -- the government's interest
- 19 in exclusive possession, or when he took it to his CHU, as opposed to
- 20 keeping it in the SCIF? Or, as the Court asked initially, was it
- 21 when he downloaded it in the SCIF with -- with what the Court would
- 22 believe they found that, with the intent to permanently deprive or
- 23 temporarily deprive the Government.

- 1 So, yeah, it depends on when that theft occurred. But it's
- 2 clear the Government went on both of those theories and argued for
- 3 the 917 to avoid a finding of not guilty on the conveyance or
- 4 conversion theory. And -- and because of how they argued that then  ${\rm I}$
- 5 don't -- then here now, it's inconsistent to argue that those
- 6 shouldn't be merged for sentencing because they are part of an
- 7 ongoing course of action. And it is certainly one that you can --
- 8 you can separate for findings, but for sentencing this is the
- 9 Campbell case. And the defense would argue they should be merged.
- 10 MJ: Well, this -- how is this distinct from a case where you
- 11 have a BAH fraud; where you have false claims that are made, and then
- 12 you have subsequent larcenies as you're accepting the BAH month after
- 13 month after month. Does the defense see any distinction between
- 14 those kinds of cases or -- or not?
- 15 CDC[MR COOMBS]: The -- well, in that type case, if it's just
- 16 the false claims and then the larceny, I think those do get merged --
- 17 and that's kind of the Campbell case as well for sentencing. If --
- 18 if it's an ongoing larceny, then the issue is did the accused in that
- 19 case -- or appellant have to do something in order to continue to
- 20 receive because technically every time they get paid that extra BAH
- 21 or whatnot, that's a larceny. Here I would see a distinction in that
- 22 the taking -- the timing of the taking of the information, even under
- 23 the government's argument of maybe a few days difference or a month

- I difference, but the timing of the taking to the actual giving with
- 2 each of the offenses that my client's been found guilty of is a
- 3 matter of days usually. And -- and some of that's a byproduct of the
- 4 environment that he's in -- and others -- is just getting the
- 5 information in a place where he could give it, I guess. But it's
- 6 clear that's part of the ongoing intent. The intent to take that
- 7 information was to give that information. And the best example of
- 8 that is -- and I know we have a -- well, I don't know if the
- 9 government really argued that with regards to Specification 16, if
- 10 that was ever given, but everything that was charged was given. So
- II we don't have an example of information that was taken but then never
- 12 given. And so from the defense's position that would support the
- 13 fact that this is an ongoing course of action, that's one of the
- 14 initial steps to take it, but then it's always concluded with a
- 15 giving of the information.
- 16 MJ: All right.
- 17 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Then, ma'am, the final category is the
- 18 Category III offenses where defense argues the relevant 641
- 19 Specifications of 8, 12 and 16 should be combined with the
- 20 Specifications of Charge III that coincide with them. The government
- 21 concedes that Specification 16 of Charge II should be combined with
- 22 Specification 4 of Charge III for sentencing. They dispute whether
- 23 or not Specification 8 of Charge II should be combined -- combined

- 1 with Specification 2 of Charge III, and whether or not Specification
- 2 12 of Charge II should be combined Specification 3 of Charge III.
- 3 The defense's position is the obtaining of the -- the DABs in
- 4 Specification 8 or the cables -- the purported cables from the Net-
- 5 Centric Diplomacy database in Specification 12 were both accomplished
- 6 by using the Wget program of Specification 2 and 3, and, therefore,
- 7 those two offenses should combine because that was the means in which
- 8 to obtain the information. Again, part of the same logic under
- 9 Campbell of an ongoing course of action; this was just simply the
- 10 first step in that to obtain the information -- to use the program
- 11 that the Court found was an unauthorized program.
- 12 MJ: All right. Thank you.
- 13 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 14 MJ: Government, will you go in the same approach ----
- 15 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- MJ: --- the same order as the defense counsel?
- 17 TC[MAJ FEIN]: If I may brief from counsel table.
- 18 MJ: Yes.
- 19 TC[MAJ FEIN]: So, first, Your Honor, it is the defense's motion
- 20 to merge Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II for findings, the CIDNE-
- 21 I and CIDNE -- SIGACTs from CIDNE-I and CIDNE-A -- thefts of those.
- 22 First and foremost, Your Honor, there's a few
- 23 clarifications. There's no evidence, Your Honor, that -- that PFC

- 1 Manning -- in this court-martial, that PFC Manning burned on separate
- 2 CDs or on the same CD the SIGACTs before he removed them from the
- 3 SCIF. There's no evidence one way or the other. The only evidence
- 4 presented is when the information was likely downloaded, and that's
- 5 in Prosecution Exhibit 116; that is the Stipulated of Expected
- 6 Testimony or the testimony of Mr. Patrick Hoeffel, which gives the
- 7 dates of when the information would have been pulled from the CIDNE
- 8 databases, both Tampa, for the Afghanistan, and Iraq database. And
- 9 then it's the testimony that's summed up in the -- today's
- 10 stipulation of expected testimony of when it was found in the SD card
- II -- when it would have been created on his personal computer. But
- 12 there's no evidence of when it was physically removed; just a no
- 13 later than date, which is 30 January, and no earlier than date, which
- 14 is ----
- 15 MJ: Then does the government agree then the last written date,
- 16 I guess, basically doesn't make any difference because it could have
- 17 been last written anyway?
- 18 TC[MAJ FEIN]: It could be last written -- well, one of two
- 19 places, Your Honor, either on the personal Mac or on the SIPR
- 20 computer. But, yes, ma'am. The last written date doesn't tell you
- 21 anything else other than the last time the document was last edited -
- 22 the two CS files. But the part, ma'am, that should not be lost
- 23 here is that these two thefts, although they're both thefts and they

- 1 are both SIGACTs from CIDNE databases, occurred in completely
- 2 separate manners using different databases and -- and over different
- 3 periods of time.
- 4 First, the Court's heard testimony that the CIDNE-A
- 5 database was downloaded from the Tampa server. PFC Manning had to
- 6 reach back to Tampa because he did not have physical access to the
- 7 one in Afghanistan.
- 8 MJ: Now that all assumes that I find that the intent steal was
- 9 present when these databases -- or these records were downloaded,
- 10 right?
- 11 TC[MAJ FEIN]: What that's -- that's correct, but it still goes
- 12 to how it was done and the timeframe. So even on the on the Charge
- 13 Sheet, it's a separate timeframe based off this evidence -- as it was
- 14 alleged. So first that evidence goes to Tampa, the CENTAUR log show
- 15 the only time that information was accessed, and then you have the
- 16 CIDNE-I database, which are a few days later. I'm sorry. I have
- 17 that reversed, Your Honor. But CIDNE-I was first, and then four days
- 18 later -- three and a half days later, CIDNE-Afghanistan. So
- 19 different times and information was finally pulled. And then, yes,
- 20 it was last written on one of the two computers at that time, and
- 21 then captured within that encrypted cabinet file.
- 22 Sort of jumping ahead, ma'am, but the United States does
- 23 agree that -- well, going to the next -- this would be Specifications

- 1 5 and 7 ----
- 2 MJ: Well, before we do that, in 5 and 7, you agreed that
- 3 they're -- they should be considered as one for sentencing.
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, Ma'am.
- 5 MJ: And you don't agree with that with Specifications 4 and 6.
- 6 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Ma'am, the United States believes that these are
- 7 separate and distinct acts, because although they are focused on
- 8 transmission crimes versus a theft crime -- so the difference between
- 9 793 and 641, that both of these the start of the crime is the
- 10 unauthorized possession. That's when a 793 offense begin, although
- 11 it's focused on the transmission. So that's why the United States
- 12 argues for findings purposes, they're separate and distinct acts.
- 13 But for sentencing purposes they should merge because they, of
- 14 course, the gravamen of the offense is transmission, and there -- it
- 15 is not in dispute that they were transmitted at the same time.
- 16 MJ: Is the gravamen of the offense the transmission or the
- 17 transmission of particular pieces of classified information?
- 18 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Well, ma'am, it's transmission of particular --
- 19 MJ: National defense information.
- 20 TC[MAJ FEIN]: National defense information someone who's not
- 21 authorized to receive it, which is why for sentencing under --
- 22 purposes -- it seems it should merge because they were ultimately
- 23 received the time off it.

- So, ma'am, then going to the UMC for sentencing. First and
- 2 foremost, ma'am, the United States continues with its argument from
- 3 before, as the Court's ruled in Appellate Exhibit 78, a theft crime
- 4 is just simply targeted to prevent thefts, transmission crimes to the
- 5 transmission, and the argument really hasn't changed there between
- 6 the 6 ----
- 7 MJ: That was the findings, right, though?
- 8 TC[MAJ FEIN]: It was for findings, ma'am. And the United
- 9 States would argue that that's no different for sentencing as well;
- 10 separate acts -- and the separate acts, Your Honor, that -- that are
- 11 focused on offenses that are serious in nature, each one
- 12 distinctively. The 641 offense is looking at entire -- well,
- 13 portions of a database -- the SIGACT databases, or the GTMO
- 14 databases, or the Net-Centric Diplomacy databases, and then it's
- 15 transmission of only particular documents from there -- the -- more
- 16 than the number for each of those. There's no question that for
- 17 sentencing purposes that PFC Manning could have retreated after the
- 18 theft; could have chosen not to do that. It goes back to
- 19 Specification 16. The government, only arguing, could say that he
- 20 intended to -- to -- although the government did argue that is MO was
- 21 intended to -- to transmit the GAL, but there's no evidence of that,
- 22 nor has the government presented that evidence. He could have
- 23 stopped, but chose not to, which is why it's not exaggerated for

- 1 sentencing that PFC Manning's criminal liability for sentencing
- 2 purposes be held greater. These are serious offenses, Your Honor.
- 3 Serious offenses he's been convicted of, and serious offenses for
- 4 sentencing as well.
- 5 MJ: Now in a unreasonable multiplication of charges analysis,
- 6 does the seriousness of the offense come into play?
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Well, ma'am, I think in -- in -- one moment,
- 8 please, ma'am.
- 9 [Pause]
- 10 TC[MAJ FEIN]: The seriousness, ma'am, really comes in play to -
- 11 first, it's the second and third factors of the Quiroz factors as
- 12 applied by Campbell, so if it either misrepresents or exaggerates the
- 13 accused's misconduct, criminality -- excuse me, or if it unfairly
- 14 increases his punitive exposure. So when it is ultimately saying
- 15 seriousness, it's not unfairly creating more exposure for stealing a
- 16 significant portion of classified databases and then transmitting
- 17 some portion of those. And, ma'am, now specifically to the Charge
- 18 III offenses ----
- 19 MJ: The government said Specification -- Specification 4 would
- 20 be unreasonable multiplication of charges of Specification 16, what's
- 21 the difference between that and the other two?
- 22 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Well, ma'am, first and foremost, if I may first
- 23 talk about Specifications 2 and 3, it might help ----

- 1 MJ: Okay.
- 2 TC[MAJ FEIN]: ---- explain the difference, at least from the
- 3 government's eyes. First off, Your Honor, Specification 2 and 3 are
- 4 essentially the same except for completely different dates and the
- 5 act of introduction of Wget, again, onto the computer; an
- 6 introduction crime regulatory violation, do not introduce
- 7 unauthorized software. The reason that does not merge with the 1030
- 8 offense in Specification 12 is because the bypassing of security,
- 9 although in this case PFC Manning did use Wget, they are separate and
- 10 distinct acts. One is introduction similar to theft analysis and
- 11 transmission, the other is bypassing ----
- 12 MJ: Well, wasn't the introduction how he exceeded authorized
- 13 access?
- 14 TC[MAJ FEIN]: That's one of the different ways, ma'am. The
- 15 United States presented multiple theories of -- of how authorized
- 16 access was exceeded. But Wget allowed him to go onto the actual
- 17 state server and go around the web page. So, yes. But, ma'am, for -
- 18 so then, moving to ----
- 19 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Actually, sorry, if I could interrupt Major
- 20 Fein here.
- 21 MJ: Yes.
- 22 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Specification 12 is the 641 offense, Your
- 23 Honor. And so what Spec 3 of Charge III is aimed at is the

- 1 introduction of Wget that second time in May -- on May 4th, which was
- 2 the -- which the evidence shows that that was the download of the
- 3 last approximately 11,000 cables. Spec 12 is the use of Wget in that
- 4 timeframe -- for that offense was Wget that was already on his
- 5 computer prior to May the 4th. Does that make sense, Your Honor?
- 6 MJ: I'm not sure.
- 7 ATC[CPT MORROW]: He -- okay. The evidence shows he
- 8 reintroduced Wget on May 4th, and that was for the last essentially
- 9 11,000 Department of State cables from March 1st and onward. The
- 10 250,000 number relates to the purported cables that were released in
- 11 the public domain that go through February 28th, 2010. So everything
- 12 prior to February 28th, 2010, can go forward. And so the use of Wget
- 13 was -- was to steal those cables -- those 250,000 cables was the Wget
- 14 file that was on the computer prior to May 4th. Does that make
- 15 sense, ma'am?
- 16 MJ: Yeah. So he reintroduced it?
- 17 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Yes. He reintroduced it on May 4<sup>th</sup>, stole
- 18 another 11,000 cables. And those cables were ultimately in a file
- 19 that was corrupted and not ultimately released in the public domain.
- 20 MJ: All right. Is there anything else with respect to this
- 21 issue?
- 22 CDC[MR COOMBS]: No, Your Honor.
- 23 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, Ma'am.

- MJ: All right. We have two options; Option A is we can
- 2 reconvene later on this afternoon and I'll have a ruling for you.
- 3 I'm looking probably around 1700. Or, Option B, we can announce the
- 4 ruling tomorrow morning.
- 5 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Option B would be fine with the defense,
- 6 Your Honor.
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: We support that option as well, ma'am.
- 8 MJ: All right. The other issue is the objections from the
- 9 defense on today's testimony and the government response to those.
- 10 I'd like to have no more than a day turn around on these issues
- 11 because we're going to have them on a rolling basis. Can you have
- 12 them to me -- say 1800-ish, and you have your response back at 2000?
- 13 TC[MAJ FEIN]: If we get them, yes, ma'am.
- 14 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, we can, ma'am. And we did object at
- 15 each of those points, so it won't be hard for us to put that
- 16 together. So I can actually probably get it earlier. Once I leave
- 17 here I'll type it up and get it to the government. But definitely by
- 18 1800.
- MJ: Okay. Then you can have government your response -- again,
- 20 I don't want any long legal briefs and analysis. Just here's the
- 21 objection and here's basically the category of objection that I'm
- 22 doing. Okay?
- 23 CDC[MR COOMBS]: Yes, Your Honor.

- MJ: So what time do you want to start tomorrow?
- 2 TC[MAJ FEIN]: I'm sorry, ma'am, real quick. I thought
- 3 previously in your instructions that the portion you've read from
- 4 your findings -- your ruling, that you were going to develop those
- 5 categories. So you want us to pin it, or do you want us to ----
- 6 MJ: I'm not developing categories.
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Oh, okay, ma'am.
- 8 MJ: I didn't say that. No, all I said was, you've outlined --
- 9 we have had the defense motion ready. You -- and you both weighed in
- 10 on how you think the case law applies. So I don't need long legal
- 11 analysis. I think the case law is -- is set. It's just a matter of
- 12 where the facts fit. So I'm really looking at what are you saying
- 13 factually and why do you say that, and why you're objecting to it.
- 14 And then, government, if you believe that the facts support
- 15 admissibility under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4), let me know what those facts
- 16 are. Like I said, I don't need a long dissertation on the law;
- 17 you've both given it to me.
- 18 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 20 MJ: What time tomorrow?
- 21 TC[MAJ FEIN]: May we have a moment, Your Honor?
- 22 MJ: Yes.
- 23 [Pause]

- 1 CDC[MR COOMBS]: 10 o'clock, ma'am.
- 2 MJ: Ten o'clock?
- 3 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 4 MJ: All right. Court is in recess then until 10 o'clock
- 5 tomorrow morning.
- 6 [The court-martial recessed at 1518, 5 August 2013.]
- 7 [END OF PAGE]

- [The court-martial was called to order at 1001, 6 August 2013.]
- 2 MJ: Court is called to order. Major Fein, please account for
- 3 the parties.
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am, all parties when the court last
- 5 recessed are again present with the addition of Captain Overgaard.
- 7 the list.
- 8 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am, there are a few. First, Your Honor,
- 9 Appellate Exhibit 636 is the defense specific objection under R.C.M.
- 10 1001(b)(4) for the testimony of Under Secretary of State for
- 11 Management Patrick Kennedy, dated 5 August 2013. What's been marked
- 12 as Appellate Exhibit 637 is the government's response to the
- 13 defense's objection to the R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) objection for Under
- 14 Secretary of State for Management Patrick Kennedy, dated 5 August
- 15 2013. What has been marked as Appellate Exhibit 638 is the defense
- 16 witness -- witness order list for sentencing, dated today, 6 August
- 17 2013.
- 18 Also, Your Honor, as of 9:54 this morning there are seven
- 19 members of the media at the media operations center, there is one
- 20 stenographer, there are no media in the courtroom, and five
- 21 spectators in the courtroom. Additionally, Your Honor, at the
- 22 present time the overflow trailer is not available based on the
- 23 generator issue, but that is being fixed, but with only five

- 1 spectators in the courtroom there's enough space.
- 2 MJ: Once again, before we begin, the parties and I held an
- 3 R.C.M. 802 conference before coming on the record today, that's a
- 4 conference where the parties and I discuss scheduling and other
- 5 logistics in the case. And Mr. Coombs gave me the defense witness
- 6 list, and also advised that for OCONUS witnesses, you don't have any
- 7 objections if they're telephonically, is that correct?
- 8 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: That is correct, Your Honor.
- 9 MJ: And, I assume the parties are coordinating to make sure any
- II appropriate time?
- 12 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. Today the United States is going to
- 13 be reaching out to all the witnesses to get the most updated status
- 14 and start-up the movement, and we'll confirm who's OCONUS, who's not,
- 15 and who will be available -- won't be -- and have them set that up.
- 16 MJ: And, just again, a reminder to the government, I had asked
- 17 the government a couple of days ago just to ensure that they look at
- 18 the redacted M.R.E. 505(g) filings to ensure that the government has
- 19 assured the Court that they will not use anything that was redacted
- 20 in any of those filings in your sentencing case or in their case at
- 21 all.
- 22 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. That's an ongoing process, and the
- 23 United States intends to have it completed Friday with the last

- | witness to confirm that all the witnesses the government elicited
- 2 testimony to comply or comport with those filings.
- 3 MJ: Is there anything else we need to address before the court
- 4 reads the two rulings I have ready to go. One of them is the defense
- 5 motion to merge charges of unreasonable multiplication of charges for
- 6 findings and sentence. And the other is the defense motion for
- 7 appropriate relief under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4). That ruling is dated
- 8 yesterday, not today, because yesterday I gave the procedures for
- 9 filings in the future. And I want to make sure the date is correct
- 10 because you basically will be following them today. Is there
- 11 anything else we need to address?
- 12 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: No, Your Honor.
- 13 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 14 MJ: Ruling: Defense Motion to Merge Charges as Unreasonable
- 15 Multiplication of Charges for Findings and Sentence:
- On 30 July 2013, the Defense filed three motions to merge
- 17 specifications for unreasonable multiplication of charges (UMC) for
- 18 findings and sentence(Appellate Exhibit 626 through628) seeking the
- 19 following relief:
- 20 1. Merge Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II for findings
- 21 because the stealing, purloining, or knowing conversion (SPKC)of both
- 22 the CIDNE-A CIDNE-I databases were one transaction.

- Merge Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II for findings
- 2 because the accused communicated the CIDNE-I, CIDNE-Iraq and CIDNE-A,
- 3 CIDNE-Afghanistan databases as one transaction.
- 4 3. Merge the following categories of specifications for
- 5 sentencing:
- 6 a. Article 134 (18 U.S.C. Section 641) with Article 134
- 7 (18 United States Code, Section 793(e)) and Article 134 (18 United
- 8 States Code, Section 1030(a)(1)) offenses as the SPKC and
- 9 communication involve the same databases:
- (1) Specifications 4 and 5 of Charge II: the CIDNE-I
- 11 database containing more than 380,000 records belong to the United
- 12 States government and Specifications 6 and 7 of Charge II: the
- 13 CIDNE-A database containing more than 90,000 records belonging to the
- 14 United States government;
- 15 (2) Specifications 8 and 9 of Charge II: the United States
- 16 Southern Command database containing more than 700 records belonging
- 17 to the United States Government;
- 18 (3) Specifications 12 and 13 of Charge II the Department of
- 19 State Net-Centric Diplomacy (NCD)database containing more than
- 20 250,000 records belonging to the United States Government; and
- 21 b. Article 134 (18 United States Code, Section 641; and 18
- 22 United States Code, Section 1030(a)(1)) and Article 92:

(1) Specification 8 of Charge II the United States 1 Southern Command database and Specification 2 of Charge III involving 2 a violation of a lawful general regulation by adding unauthorized 3 software to a Secret Internet Protocol Router Network computer; 4 (2) Specification 12 of Charge II: the Department of State 5 Net-Centric Diplomacy database and Specification 3 of Charge III 6 involving a violation of a lawful general regulation by adding 7 unauthorized software to a Secret Internet Protocol Router Network 8 9 computer; (3) Specification 16 of Charge II involving a portion of 10 11 the United States Forces-Iraq Microsoft Outlook/Sharepoint Exchange 12 Server Global Address List belonging to the United States government and Specification 4 of Charge III involving a violation of a lawful 13 14 general regulation by using an information system in a manner other 15 than its intended purpose. 16 Just for the record, I do notice a typo in here that I will

17 correct. This category (b) does not involve 18 United States Code,
18 Section 1030(a)(1) offenses.
19 On 1 August 2013, the Government filed a response to each
20 of the three defense motions (Appellate Exhibits 632 to 634) opposing
21 the Defense motions except for the Motion to consider specifications
22 5 and 7 of Charge II as Unreasonable Multiplication of Charges for

- 1 sentencing and Specification 4 of Charge III as UMC for sentencing
- 2 with Specification 16 of Charge II
- 3 The Law
- 4 1. The military recognizes the concepts of UMC for
- 5 findings and UMC for sentencing. Nonexclusive factors considered by
- 6 the court in determining whether offenses area UMC for findings or
- 7 sentence include whether: (1) each charge and specification is aimed
- 8 at distinctly separate criminal acts; (2) the number of charges and
- 9 specifications misrepresent or exaggerate the accused's criminality;
- 10 (3) the number of charges and specifications unreasonably increases
- 11 the accused's punitive exposure; and (4) there is any evidence of
- 12 prosecutorial overreaching or abuse in the drafting of charges,
- 13 United States versus Quiroz, 55 M.J. 334 (Court of Appeals for the
- 14 Armed Forces, 2001)
- 15 2. Charges that are not a UMC for findings may be UMC for
- 16 sentencing where the nature of the harm requires a remedy that
- 17 focuses more appropriately on punishment, United States versus
- 18 Campbell, 71 M.J. 19 (Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 2012)
- Successive withdrawals off funds from different
- 20 accounts through stolen automatic teller machine cards are separate
- 2] offenses even if the withdrawals occurred at substantially the same
- 22 time and place, United States versus Aquino, 20 M.J. 712 (Army Court

- of Military Review, 1985); see also United States versus Kulathungam,
- 2 1999 West Law 35021445 (Army Court of Criminal Appeals, 1999)
- 3 Conclusions of Law
- 4 UMC for findings-merge Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II
- 5 and Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II.
- 7 the specific intent to deprive the Government of the use and benefit
- $8\,$  of the records at the time he extracted the CIDNE-I SIGACTs on or
- 9 about 3 January 2010. PFC Manning had the specific intent to deprive
- 10 the Government of the use and benefit of the records at the time he
- 11 extracted the CIDNE-A SIGACTs, on or about 7 January 2010. The Court
- 12 does not find that PFC Manning stole and purloined the CIDNE-I and
- 13 CIDNE-A SIGACTs on the same day. Even if the Court did find that the
- 14 stealing and purloining of the CIDNE-I and CIDNE-A SIGACTs occurred
- 15 on the same day, the logic of Aquino and Kulathungam is persuasive.
- 16 As in these cases, PFC Manning had to access separate databases to
- 17 extract the CIDNE-I and CODNE-A SIGACTs. These were successive
- 18 access/extractions that constitute separate and distinct 18 United
- 19 States Code, Section 641/Article 134 offenses for findings under the
- 20 first Quiroz factor. The charges do not misrepresent or exaggerate
- 21 PFC Manning's criminality or unreasonably increase his punitive
- 22 exposure. There is no evidence of prosecutorial overreaching.

- 1 The Defense motion to merge Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II for
- 2 findings is denied.
- 3 Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II.
- 4 (a) The parties agree that PFC Manning transmitted the
- 5 ClDNE-1 and CIDNE-A records on the same day. The gravamen of the 18
- 6 United States Code, Section 793(e)/Article 134 offenses in
- 7 Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II, is the willful transmission of
- 8 national defense information to a person not authorized to receive
- 9 it. Specification 5 of Charge II charges the willful transmission of
- 10 the portion of CIDNE-I database containing more than 380,000 records
- 11 belong to the United States government. Specification 7 of Charge II
- 12 charges the willful transmission of the portion of the CIDNE-A
- 13 database containing more than 90,000 records belonging to the United
- 14 States Government. These are separate matters of national defense
- 15 information. The transmission of each constitutes a violation of 18
- 16 United States Code, Section 793(e)/Article 134, UCMJ under the first
- 17 Quiroz factor. The fact that the transmissions may have occurred at
- 18 the same time or simultaneously is irrelevant for unreasonable
- 19 multiplication of findings analysis. Charging the volume of national
- 20 defense information transmitted from both the CIDNE-I and CIDNE-A
- 21 databases in two separate specifications does not misrepresent or
- 22 exaggerate PFC Manning's criminality or unreasonably increase his
- 23 punitive exposure. The prosecution has not over-reached in charging

- 1 PFC Manning as it has in Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II.
- 2 Considering all of the Quiroz factors, the Court does not find
- 3 Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II a UMC for findings. The Defense
- 4 motion to merge these offenses for findings is denied.
- 5 (b) The Government does not object to the Court treating
- 6 these offenses as one for sentencing. As such, the Court will treat
- 7 Specifications 5 and 7 as a UMC for sentencing.
- 8 UMC for sentencing-merge Specifications 4, 5, 6, and 7 of
- 9 Charge II, Specifications 8 and 9 of Charge II, Specifications 12 and
- 10 13 of Charge II, and Specifications 2, 3, and 4 of Charge III, with
- 11 Specifications 8, 12, and 16 of Charge II respectively.
- 12 The Quiroz factors apply differently to determining whether
- 13 there is a UMC for findings and for sentencing.
- 14 (a) The Government concedes that Specification 4 of Charge
- 15 III is UMC for sentencing with Specification 16 of Charge II. In
- 16 this case, PFC Manning committed the Article 92 violations in
- 17 Specifications 2 and 3 of Charge III as part of a connected chain of
- 18 events involving the SPKC offenses in Specifications 8 and 12 of
- 19 Charge II, respectively. For sentencing purpose, the Court applied
- 20 the Ouiroz factors and finds each pair of specifications
- 21 (Specification 2 of Charge III/Specification 8 of Charge II;
- 22 Specification 3 of Charge III/Specification 12 of Charge II;
- 23 Specification 4 of Charge III/Specification 16 of Charge II) a UMC

- 1 for sentencing. So, all three of the 92 violations are unreasonable
- 2 multiplication of charges for all three of the 641 violations, even
- 3 though I didn't say that very articulately.
- 4 (b) With respect to United States Code, Section
- 5 641/Article 134 offenses in Specifications 4, 6, 8, and 12 of Charge
- 6 II and the 18 United States Code, Section 793(e)/Article 134 offenses
- 7 in Specifications 5, 7, and 9 of Charge II and the 18 United States
- 8 Code, Section 1030(a)(1)/Article 134 offense in Specification 13 of
- 9 Charge II, the Court finds that the 18 United States Code, Section
- 10 793(e)/Article 134 and the 18 United States Code, Section
- 11 1030(a)(1)/Article 134 transmission offense involve the same or a
- 12 subset of the records that formed the res of the 18 United States
- 13 Code, Section 641/Article 134 SPKC offenses. The Court ruled in
- 14 Appellate Exhibit 78 that these specifications were not an
- 15 unreasonable multiplication of charges for findings. Under the
- 16 unique facts of this case, the Court applies the Quiroz factors and
- 17 finds that punishing Specifications 4, 6, 8, and 12 of Charge II
- 18 separately from Specifications 5, 7, 9, and 13, respectively, of
- 19 Charge II unreasonably increases PFC Manning's punitive exposure. As
- 20 such, the Court will treat each pair of specifications, 4 and 5 of
- 21 Charge 11; 6 and 7 of Charge II, 8 and 9 of Charge II, and 12 and 13
- 22 of Charge II as one for sentencing purposes. These offenses are not

- 1 a UMC for findings, thus merger of the offenses is not appropriate.
- 2 Each specification remains as a stand-alone offense for findings.
- 3 (c) The Government concedes that Specifications 5 and 7 of
- 4 Charge II are UMC for sentencing, however, applying the Quiros
- 5 factors, the Court finds that Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II are
- 6 aimed at distinctly separate criminal acts and the Government has not
- 7 over-reached or exaggerated PFC Manning's criminality or unfairly
- 8 increased his punitive exposure. Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II
- 9 are not a UMC for sentencing. Specifications 5 and 7 of Charge II
- 10 are UMC for sentencing with Specifications 4 and 6 of Charge II,
- 11 respectively. The resulting 20-year maximum sentence for all four
- 12 specifications does not exaggerate the accused's punitive sentencing
- 13 exposure.
- 14 Ruling:
- 15 The Court Motion -- The Defense Motions to Merge
- 16 Specifications for Unreasonable Multiplication of Charges for
- 17 findings and sentence is GRANTED INPART. The Court will treat the
- 18 following pairs of specifications as one each for sentencing
- 19 purposes:
- 20 1. Specification 2 of Charge III with Specification 8 of
- 21 Charge II;
- 22 Specification 3 of Charge III with Specification 12 of
- 23 Charge II;

- 1 Specification 4 of Charge III with Specification 16 of
- 2 Charge II;
- 3 (4) Specification 4 of Charge II with Specification 5 of
- 4 Charge 11;
- 5 5. Specification 6 of Charge II with Specification 7 of
- 6 Charge II;
- 7 6. Specification 8 of Charge II with Specification 9 of
- 8 Charge II;
- 9 7. Specification 12 of Charge II with Specification 13 of
- 10 Charge II.
- 11 The Court's ruling reduces the maximum confinement that
- 12 may be imposed from 136 years to 90 years.
- 13 And the Court asked the parties to verify the Court's math,
- 14 but that is what I concluded.
- 15 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: The defense concurs, Your Honor.
- 16 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 17 MJ: And that will be added as the next appellate exhibit in
- 18 line. I will give it to the court reporter now and retrieve it later
- 19 to correct the typo.
- 20 [The document was marked Appellate Exhibit 640.]
- 21 MJ: All right. Ruling for the Defense Motion for Appropriate
- 22 Relief under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4).

- On 31 July 2013, the Defense filed a motion to limit the
- 2 Government's aggravation evidence to its proper scope under R.C.M.
- 3 1001(b)(4)(Appellate Exhibit 629). Specifically, the Defense objects
- 4 to three categories of Government Sentencing evidence:
- 5 1. Chain of Events Testimony not directly related to the
- 6 accused's charged misconduct;
- 7 2. "Could" Cause Damage Testimony; and
- Monetary Expenses and Use of Resources Testimony
- 9 On 2 August 2013, the Government filed a response in
- 10 opposition (Appellate Exhibit 630).
- 11 The Law:
- 12 1. The Government may present evidence as to any
- 13 aggravating circumstance directly related to or resulting from the
- 14 offenses of which the accused has been found guilty. Evidence in
- 15 aggravation includes, but is not limited to, evidence of financial,
- 16 social, psychological, and medical impact on or cost to any person or
- 17 entity who was the victim of an offense committed by the accused and
- 18 evidence of significant adverse impact on the mission, discipline, or
- 19 efficiency of the command directly and immediately resulting from the
- 20 accused's offense -- offenses. R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) -- I'm sorry (d)(2)
- 21 in relevant part.
- 22 2. The standard for admission of aggravating evidence
- 23 under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) -- Am I looking at (2) or (4)? (b)(4),

- 1 excuse me, is higher than relevance. The standard for admission of
- 2 aggravating evidence under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4)is higher than relevance.
- 3 The offenses committed by the accused must have contributed to the
- 4 effects that the Government proposes as aggravation. The accused's
- 5 offenses must play a material role in bringing about the effects.
- 6 The aggravation evidence is not admissible if an independent,
- 7 intervening event played the only important part in bringing about
- $8\,$  the effect. An accused is not responsible for a never ending chain
- 9 of causes and effects. United States versus Rust, 41 M.J. 472 at 478
- 10 (Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces 1995).
- 11 3. If the Court decides that evidence is proper
- 12 aggravation evidence under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4), the Court then
- 13 determines whether the probative value of the aggravation evidence is
- 14 substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice under
- 15 M.R.E. 403, United States versus Martin, 20 M.J. 227 (Court of
- 16 Appeals for the Armed Forces 1985).
- 17 4. The administrative burden of investigating or
- 18 prosecuting the accused or the burden of the court-martial process on
- 19 the unit or the military is not admissible aggravating evidence under
- 20 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) 60 MJ 795, United States versus Stapp, 60 M.J. 795,
- 21 (Army Court of Criminal Appeals, 2004), affirmed 64 M.J. 179 (Court
- 22 of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 2006).
- 23 Conclusions of Law Generally:

Determinations of whether evidence offered in 1 2 aggravation is directly related to or resulting from the offenses of which the accused has been found guilty and whether aggravation 3 evidence of significant adverse impact on the mission, discipline, or 5 efficiency of the command is a direct and immediate result from the accused's offenses are fact specific inquiries. The nature of the 6 offenses that the accused has been convicted of and the amount of 7 time necessary for aggravating circumstances relating directly to or resulting from his offenses to manifest themselves are appropriate 9 10 considerations for these inquiries. 2. R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) sets forth examples of permissible 11 12 aggravating evidence. In this case aggravating evidence may include adverse impact to the United States government and any United States 13 agency or mission that has been directly affected by the accused's 14 offenses or by WikiLeaks disclosures of the information communicated 15 16 to them by the accused. 3. Risk of damage or harm to the national security of the 17

18 United States and any United States agency or mission that directly
19 relates to or results from the accused's offenses or WikiLeaks
20 disclosures of the information communicated by the accused is proper
21 aggravation evidence under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4).
22 Monetary Expense and Use of Resources Testimony:

1 1. Steps taken by the United States government, and 2 agencies therein, to mitigate potential damage caused by public

3 dissemination of information given to WikiLeaks by the accused is

4 proper aggravation. The resources and costs associated with taking

5 these mitigation steps is directly related to the accused's offenses

6 and is admissible aggravation evidence under R.C.M. 1004(b)(4).

The Court has received aggravation evidence involving

8 the Information Review Task Force (IRTF) and the Department of State

9 Persons at Risk working group. The IRTF was established via the 5

10 August 2010, order by then Secretary of Defense, Robert Gates (AE

11 631). All of the bulleted taskings in the order involve assessing

12 damage caused by the accused's offenses. This is not evidence

13 related to investigating the accused's misconduct or the

14 administrative burden of the court-martial process. The IRTF was

15 established to assess damage to the United States and is independent

16 of any decision to investigate or prosecute the accused. Similarly,

17 the Department of State Persons at Risk working group was formed to

18 determine whether there were identifiable persons at risk of violence

19 committed against them or incarceration based on the WikiLeaks

20 disclosures of purported Department of State cables provided to them

21 by the accused. This group had nothing to do with the investigation

22 or prosecution of the accused.

- Testimony received from Brigadier General (Retired)
- 2 Carr and Mr. Kirchhofer regarding the creation of the IRTF, its
- 3 mission and resourcing, and how it functioned is proper aggravation
- 4 evidence under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4). The testimony received from
- 5 Ambassador Kozak regarding the creation of the Department of State
- 6 Persons at Risk working group, its mission and resourcing, and how it
- 7 functioned is also proper aggravation evidence.
- 8 Chain of Events Testimony"
- 9 1. The Court agrees that there comes a point at which
- 10 there have been so many additional intervening events or links in the
- 11 chain between the accused's offenses and the ensuing risk or harm
- 12 that the ensuing risk or harm is no longer directly related to or a
- 13 direct result of the accused's offenses, United States versus Rust,
- 14 41 M.J. 472 at 478 (Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 1995).
- 15 However, the fact that there has been an intervening event or
- 16 decision does not automatically absolve the accused from
- 17 responsibility if his offenses played a material role in creating the
- 18 risk of damage or harm or contributed in causing the ensuing risk or
- 19 harm, United States versus Lawson, 33 M.J.946 at 959 and 960 (Navy
- 20 Marine, Court of Appeals, 1991), affirmed, 36 M.J. 414, (Court of
- 21 Appeals for the Armed Forces 1993). Whether intervening events
- 22 played the only important role in causing a risk or harm is a case
- 23 specific factual determination.

- Both the IRTF and the DOS Persons at Risk group were
- 2 created to assess what damage occurred from the accused's offenses
- 3 and what mitigation measures were necessary to address that damage.
- 4 The testimony by Brigadier [sic] (Retired) Carr, Mr. Kirchhofer, and
- 5 Ambassador Kozak regarding the findings of the IRTF and the
- 6 Department of States Persons at Risk group and the steps taken by
- 7 these entities to mitigate the risk of damage and actual damage
- 8 identified in the findings is a direct result of the accused's
- 9 offenses and is proper aggravation evidence. The decision by
- 10 Secretary Gates to establish the IRTF and any similar decision made
- 11 by Department of State to establish the Persons at Risk group were
- 12 not intervening causes that changed the resulting risk of damage or
- 13 actual damage caused by the accused's misconduct
- 14 3. The Court considered the testimony in closed session
- 15 given by Principle Deputy Assistant Secretaries (PDAS) Dibble and
- 16 Feeley. The Court finds that their testimony provided concrete
- 17 examples of harm caused as a direct result of the accused's offenses
- 18 that occurred shortly after the publication of particular purported
- 19 cables released by WikiLeaks. The decisions made by foreign
- 20 officials in the aftermath of publication did not constitute an
- 21 intervening cause that played the only important role in causing the
- 22 harm. The actions of the accused leading to the disclosures by
- 23 WikiLeaks directly resulted in the decisions made by the foreign

- 1 officials as set forth in the testimony. The testimony of PDAS
- 2 Dibble and PDAS Feeley is proper aggravation under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4)
- 3 4. Ms. Swart's testimony centered around the evolution of
- 4 the DOS Net-Centric Diplomacy (NCD) Database and the impact of the
- 5 accused's misconduct on interagency access to NCD. The Court finds
- 6 her testimony involves impact directly resulting from the accused's
- 7 misconduct. It is admissible aggravation evidence under R.C.M.
- 8 1001(b)(4).
- 9 Could Cause Damage Testimony
- This is really the same thing as risk of damage or
- 11 harm to the United States which the Court finds is admissible
- 12 aggravation evidence provided the risk of damage or harm directly
- 13 relates to or results from the accused's offenses. This determination
- 14 is also a fact specific determination for each witness or exhibit
- 15 proffered by the Government.
- 16 2. Brigadier General (Retired) Carr and Mr. Kirchhofer's
- 17 testimony regarding the IRTF's resourcing, missions, and operations
- 18 is proper aggravation evidence under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4).
- Brigadier General (Retired) Carr's testimony regarding
- 20 how the IRTF identified a need to warn families of Soldiers with
- 21 medical data that the information might be released by WikiLeaks is
- 22 proper aggravation evidence, however, the Court will disregard his
- 23 speculation that families may have to relive tragic events if the

- 1 information was released. The Court will also disregard Brigadier
- 2 General (Retired) Carr's testimony regarding the Taliban killing.
- Brigadier General (Retired) Carr's testified that
- 4 WikiLeaks' publication of over 90,000 CIDNE-A SIGACTs and over
- 5 380,000 CIDNE-I SIGACTs given to WikiLeaks by the accused disclosed
- 6 TTPs, human sources, and other information that, taken collectively,
- 7 reveal show the United States conducts operations and shows what
- 8 information the United States know or didn't know at the time. These
- 9 risks to national security caused by disclosure of information given
- 10 to WikiLeaks by the accused is proper aggravation evidence because it
- 11 is evidence of risk created as a direct result of the accused's
- 12 offenses.
- 13 5. Brigadier General (Retired) Carr's expert testimony
- 14 regarding degradation in information sharing with the United States
- 15 and between the United States and foreign partners and coalition
- 16 forces is proper aggravation evidence because the degradation in
- 17 information sharing was a direct result of the accused's offenses.
- 18 6. Ambassador Kozak was properly qualified as an expert in
- 19 United States efforts to foster democracy abroad and human rights
- 20 concerns. He opined that the accused's offenses caused, and will
- 21 continue to cause, a chilling effect on people making them afraid to
- 22 come forward and foster democracy abroad and human rights concerns is

- 1 speculative and inadmissible aggravation evidence. The Court will
- 2 disregard it.
- 3 Military Rule of Evidence 403 analysis:
- 4 Brigadier General (Retired) Carr, Mr. Kirchhofer, Ms.
- 5 Dibble, Mr. Feeley, Ms. Swart and Ambassador Kozak were properly
- 6 accepted as experts. The probative value of their testimony is not
- 7 substantially outweighed by the danger of prejudice under M.R.E. 403.
- 8 This is a judge alone trial the Court will confine its consideration
- 9 of any hearsay admitted through these witnesses to its proper purpose
- 10 of evaluating the expert's opinion in accordance with M.R.E. 703.
- 11 Conclusions of Law Procedure Forwards:
- 12 I read those yesterday so I don't intend to repeat that.
- 13 And we are now following the procedure where after each witness
- 14 testified, during the course of the testimony the defense will lodge
- 15 their objections. Afterwards, the defense will give the Court
- 16 particularized objections. The government will then let the Court
- 17 know their position, and will come out with a ruling witness by
- 18 witness, testimony by testimony. Is there anything else we need to
- 19 address with either of these two motions?
- 20 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: No, Your Honor.
- 21 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 22 MJ: All right, do we need a recess before we call the witness
- 23 or are we ready to go?

- 1 TC[MAJ FEIN]: We're ready, ma'am.
- 2 ATC[CPT MORROW]: The United States calls Major General Michael
- 3 Nagata.
- 4 MAJOR GENERAL MICHAEL NAGATA, U.S. Army, was called as a witness for
- 5 the prosecution, was sworn, and testified as follows:
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:
- 8 Q. Sir, you are Major General Michael Nagata, Commander,
- 9 United States Special Operations Command Central, MacDill Air Force
- 10 Base, Florida?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And, sir, when did you assume command of, I'm going to say
- 13 U.S. SOCCENT?
- 14 A. I took command approximately five weeks ago.
- 15 O. So June 2013?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 O. And, sir, describe your duties as the Commander?
- 18 A. As the Commander of SOCCENT, I command the special
- 19 operations forces assigned to U.S. Central Command, and I am
- 20 responsible to the Commander of SOCCENT for conducting special
- 21 operations activities that support his campaign goals and objectives.
- 22 O. And does that include all the services, sir?
- 23 A. It does. It is a joint command, so I have representatives

- from all the services.
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- Q. And, sir, if you would just briefly describe the region of
- 5 Central Command?
- $\delta$  A. Central Command encompasses countries that range from the
- 7 Middle East, to the Central Asian states, to what we generally refer
- 8 to as South Asia, including Pakistan.
- 9 Q. And, sir, where were you assigned prior to taking command
- 10 of U.S. SOCCENT?
- 11 A. Prior to my command tenure now, I spent approximately 18
- 12 months as an officer on the Joint Staff in the Pentagon.
- 13 Q. And, sir, what were you doing on the Joint Staff? What was
- 14 your portfolio so to speak?
- 15 A. I was a member of the J-3 operations directorate of the
- 16 Joint Staff. In that capacity, I was a deputy director within the
- 17 operations directorate. My specific function was entitled the deputy
- 18 director for special operations and counterterrorism.
- 19 Q. And, sir, who did -- I assume you provided advice to the J-
- 20 3, who else were you providing advice to in that capacity?
- 21 A. In that capacity, I provided my military advice about two
- 22 subjects; special operations and counterterrorism, to the J-3 of the
- 23 Joint Staff, the vice chairman, and the chairman -- of the Chairman

- 1 of the Joint Staff.
- 2 Q. And, sir, in that position what were your day-to-day
- 3 responsibilities generally?
- 4 A. My day-to-day responsibilities generally involve two
- 5 functions. One, as I just referenced, was providing my best military
- 6 advice to those three senior officials. I also worked on a day-to-
- 7 day matter on all plans, policies, directives, and orders that
- 8 affected or that were connected with the employment of special
- 9 operations and counterterrorist capabilities in the department.
- 10 Q. Sir, in layman's terms, what is the difference between
- 11 special operations and general purpose force operations?
- 12 A. Special operations forces are drawn from all the services
- 13 of the United States military. And they are specifically trained,
- 14 organized and equipped to conduct specific missions that are
- 15 associated with the legislation that created U.S. Special Operations
- 16 Command in the late 1980s. These are a mission such as
- 17 counterterrorism, foreign internal defense, unconventional warfare,
- 18 special recognizance. As a general rule these involve small
- 19 elements, small teams, with unique military capabilities that
- 20 sometimes operate behind enemy lines, almost always operate in high
- 21 risk areas for the purposes of achieving military goals.
- 22 Q. And, sir, if you would just describe what you mean by
- 23 foreign internal defense and special operations forces roles in that?

- A. Foreign internal defense is not exclusively the domain of
- 2 special operations forces, but it is something that special
- 3 operations forces conduct around the world in order to facilitate the
- 4 creation of improved military capabilities and capacity within those
- 5 nations that are allies or partners of the United States.
- 6 Q. And, sir, prior to assuming your position on the Joint
- 7 Staff, where were you assigned?
- 8 A. Prior to reporting to the Joint Staff, I was in the country
- 9 of Pakistan. I was the Deputy Chief or Deputy Commander of the
- 10 Office of the Defense Representative to Pakistan.
- 11 Q. And how long were you in that position, sir?
- 12 A. I was in that position for 26 months.
- 13 Q. July 2009 to September 2011, approximately?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 O. And, sir, I'm going to use the acronym ODRP from here on
- 16 out to refer to the Office of Defense Representative Pakistan. Is
- 17 that okay?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Sir, are you here today to discuss your observations and
- 20 experiences while assigned as the Deputy Chief for Operations ODRP
- 21 Pakistan from 2009 to 2011?
- 22 A. I am.
- 23 Q. And, sir, before we discuss that specific topic, sir, I'd

- 1 like to just talk briefly about your career. When did you join the
- 2 Army?
- 3 A. I joined the Army in 1981.
- 4 Q. And you were initially enlisted, sir?
- 5 A. I was.
- 6 Q. And when were you commissioned?
- 7 A. I was commissioned in 1982.
- 8 Q. What was your branch?
- 9 A. I was infantry officer initially.
- 10 Q. And I assume you received the standard training for an
- 11 infantry officer?
- 12 A. I did, indeed.
- 13 Q. And, sir, when did you switch over to the Special Forces
- 14 community?
- 15 A. I volunteered for and attended the Army's Special Forces
- 16 Qualification course in 1984. And I've remained in the special
- 17 operations field since that time.
- 18 Q. And, sir, if you would, can you just describe generally
- 19 sort of the types of jobs you've had in the Special Forces field or
- 20 community?
- 21 A. Certainly. I have spent a great deal of my career,
- 22 subsequent to 1984, in special forces -- Army special forces units of
- 23 various types, predominantly the 1st Special Forces Group

- 1 headquartered in Fort Lewis, Washington. It also has a battalion
- 2 that is forward deployed to Okinawa; has for many years. I've served
- 3 in all the battalions of the 1st Special Forces Group. I've served
- 4 as a detachment commander, a company executive officer, a battalion
- 5 executive officer, and I was also the group operations officer in the
- 6 1990s. I have also spent a great deal of my career in classified
- 7 assignments; special operations organizations and activities that
- $8\,$  conduct classified military operations. But, again, for the same
- 9 purposes I alluded to earlier, to achieve combatant command goals and
- 10 objectives.
- 11 Q. And, sir, did you have command positions in those special
- 12 mission units?
- 13 A. I did indeed. I served at command levels as both a major,
- 14 a lieutenant colonel, and a colonel.
- 15 Q. Sir, just for background, the 1st Special Forces Group is
- 16 focused mainly on the Asia region?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. And, sir, and sort of that time period, did you have any
- 19 special schooling -- not special schooling, but did you attend the
- 20 National War College or any other additional civilian education or
- 21 military education?
- 22 A. I did. I had professional military education at virtually
- 23 every rank as is prescribed in the Army professional -- professional

- 1 development process. I also attended a number of special operations
- 2 unique courses, training programs, and educational programs.
- Q. And, sir, what about sort of nontraditional jobs? For
- 4 example, have you worked at the Pentagon in sort of a policy capacity
- 5 or something similar?
- 6 A. I have. I think the two most significant jobs that I had
- 7 that took me out of the core special operations career path were in
- $8\,$  2003 to 2005, I was a -- I was a staff officer in the Office of the
- 9 Secretary of Defense. Specifically, I worked for the Under Secretary
- 10 of Defense for Intelligence. I also spent a tour of duty detailed to
- 11 an agency -- another agency of the government where I conducted a
- 12 classified assignment.
- 13 Q. And, sir, when you were the -- working for the Under
- 14 Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, what was your position or
- 15 responsibilities or even your portfolio in that position?
- 16 A. My portfolio generally contained two broad compartments.
- 17 The first one was that I advise the Under Secretary and his senior
- 18 staff about activities where the functions and personnel and
- 19 capabilities involved in military intelligence were integrated with
- 20 the activities of special operations forces. The second major
- 21 responsibility I had is I was the prin -- I was the lead officer in
- 22 the Under Secretary staff for a major effort to reform military
- 23 intelligence practices in the department.

- 1 O. And, sir, during your career, approximately how many
- 2 deployments have you, how many times have you deployed?
- 3 A. I don't have a precise number. My guess is I have well
- 4 over two dozen deployments overseas.
- 5 Q. And did those deployments include deployments to Central
- 6 Asia and Pakistan as well?
- 7 A. They did.
- 8 Q. Sir, I want to go back to your work as the Deputy Chief for
- 9 Operations at the ODRP. Again, you were in that position for 26
- 10 months?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And was it unusual to be assigned to that job for longer
- 13 than a year or up to 26 months?
- 14 A. Yes, it was unusual. I was originally informed that my
- 15 assignment would be a year-long deployment. After arriving in
- 16 Pakistan and understanding the scope, scale, and difficulty of the
- 17 mission we had there, I volunteered to extend, and I ended up staying
- 18 for 26 months.
- 19 O. And where -- where were you physically located or assigned
- 20 while you were working at the ODRP?
- 21 A. I was physically located at the U.S. Embassy, which is
- 22 within the diplomatic enclave of the capital city of Islamabad. The
- 23 Headquarters of ODRP and my commander, Vice Admiral Mike LeFever,

- I were all co-located together at the U.S. Embassy.
- 2 Q. And, sir, I don't think we have discussed this yet, but
- 3 what is the mission of the ODRP?
- 4 A. The mission of the ODRP had three broad components. One
- 5 was to represent the United States military as part of the U.S.
- 6 country team or U.S. Embassy there in Islamabad. Obviously there is
- $7\,$  -- in all embassies there's some form of military component because
- 8 there are also mil-to-mil or military-to-military relationships with
- 9 host nations. That was one. Number two, we had a security
- 10 assistance program with the Pakistan military, which is a fairly
- 11 routine practice out of many of the embassies around the world
- 12 wherein we provide assistance to the host nation's military. And
- 13 then we also had a specific counter-insurgency support mission that
- 14 we were doing under military combatant command authorities whereby we
- 15 were providing training, advice, and assistance to those Pakistan
- 16 military organizations that were conducting combat operations against
- 17 violent extremist organizations that threatened the Pakistani state.
- 18 Q. And, sir, do we have comparable offices to the ODRP in
- 19 other countries?
- 20 A. We do. Not all of them have the same kind of name. Often
- 21 they're named -- they're called Offices of Military Cooperation or
- 22 Defense Attaché Offices. We had all those functions within ODRP.
- 23 What probably made ODRP a little unusual was the scope and scale of

- 1 our activities because the relationship with Pakistan had developed
- 2 to the point that we were providing significantly greater quantities
- 3 of all three of the functions that I just described than we would in
- 4 most countries that people are generally familiar with.
- Q. And, sir, what is it about our relationship with Pakistan
- 6 that resulted in the decision to set up the ODRP there? Can you
- 7 describe that process?
- 8 A. I can. There -- there had been a Defense Attaché Office --
- 9 some form of a security cooperation office there for years. But the
- 10 coalescing of ODRP, as the organization that I have just described,
- 11 did not occur until approximately early 2009, when the Central
- 12 Command Commander decided that we needed a much more robust
- 13 organization that was specifically tailored to directly support the
- 14 Pakistan military that had begun significant combat operation --
- 15 operations against violent extremist organizations, specifically
- 16 Taliban forces that existed in the border areas between Afghanistan
- 17 and Pakistan. Obviously these were the same kinds of enemies that
- 18 the coalition forces, ISAF, and Afghans were fighting in Afghanistan.
- 19 So the CENTCOM Commander decided that it was in CENTCOM's interest,
- 20 it was in the nation's interest, and in the Pakistani's interest as
- 21 well, to support them more aggressively and more strongly in their
- 22 military operations against the Taliban.
- 23 Q. And, sir, you mentioned that the -- the Chief or the

- 1 Commander of ODRP was Vice Admiral -- Vice Admiral LeFever?
- A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. Did Vice Admiral LeFever have a background in special
- 4 operations?
- 5 A. He did not. Vice Admiral LeFever is a surface warfare
- 6 officer of the United States Navy. One of the reasons that I was
- 7 assigned to the ODRP was because we had a growing special operations
- 8 presence in Pakistan, which the Pakistan military had requested, and
- 9 I was sent there to provide a -- to provide the benefit of my own
- 10 experience, my own affiliation with the special operations community.
- 11 Q. And, sir, how did your duties as the Deputy Chief or Deputy
- 12 Commander of ODRP differ from what your boss was doing day-to-day or
- 13 how did they overlap?
- 14 A. They overlapped significantly. As his Deputy Commander,
- 15 obviously I would have the responsibility one would normally
- 16 associate with a deputy commander. Whenever he was absent, I was
- 17 responsible for the functions of the organization. I assisted him in
- 18 all of his various advisory staff and command functions. But as I've
- 19 just alluded to, because I come from the special operations
- 20 community, what he asked me to do was focus on the application of
- 21 special operations forces, special operations capabilities that were
- 22 supporting the Pakistan military and their combat operation.
- 23 Q. And, sir, is it fair to say that in your role as deputy

- 1 chief you had oversight over everything that was happening with
- 2 respect to special operations in Pakistan in that timeframe?
- 3 A. I did.
- 4 Q. Sir, can you describe your contact with your Pakistani
- 5 counterparts and their military -- how that worked and your
- 6 relationships?
- 7 A. I can. First of all, my contact with my Pakistan military
- 8 counterparts was frequent. I was generally either visiting their
- 9 general headquarters in the Capital or visiting some of their field
- 10 headquarters several times a week. I was interacting with everyone
- 11 from the Chief of Army Staff, all the way down to Division and
- 12 Brigade level commanders, depending on the function, depending on the
- 13 activities of that particular period of time. Qualitatively, I would
- 14 characterize all my activities as being to ensure that the support we
- 15 were providing them, that they had requested, was as effective as
- 16 possible. So whether it was training, advising or assisting, what I
- 17 was constantly attempting to solicit from my Pakistani counterparts
- 18 is to what degree they were satisfied, to what degree they were
- 19 actually becoming more effective as a result of our support.
- 20 O. And, sir, you said you interacted with your Pakistani
- 21 counterparts several times a week?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 Q. And what service in the Pakistani military did you

- 1 primarily interact with?
- 2 A. The bulk of my interactions with the -- were with the Army
- 3 of Pakistan. It is the single largest service in the Pakistani armed
- 4 forces. It was conducting the vast preponderance of the counter-
- 5 insurgency operations against the Taliban and violent extremist
- 6 organizations. I did frequently engage with the other services but
- 7 it -- the interaction I had with the Army was orders of magnitude
- 8 larger.
- 9 Q. And, sir, what -- why is our relationship with your
- 10 Pakistani partners, in particular the Army, important to our national
- 11 security ultimately?
- 12 A. It is important for a number of reasons. Previously I
- 13 alluded to the fact that in many ways the Pakistan military is
- 14 combating the same violent extremist enemy in the border areas
- 15 between Afghanistan and Pakistan that the NATO coalition, U.S. forces
- 16 and Afghan forces are combating inside Afghanistan. It's well-known
- 17 that the border is porous, and this adversary has the ability to flow
- 18 back and forth across that border with a great deal of impunity.
- 19 So anything we can do to support the Pakistan military's
- 20 effectiveness against this enemy is an advantage for the forces that
- 21 are fighting in Afghanistan.
- 22 It is also important because Pakistan is a nuclear armed
- 23 state, but it is under significant threat from violent extremist

- 1 organizations, and it is in the interest of the United States to
- 2 ensure that Pakistan remains a stable and secure state to prevent a
- 3 connection being established between terrorists and violent extremist
- 4 organizations and their nuclear arsenal.
- 5 Thirdly, it is well-known that there has been a long
- 6 history of armed confrontation and great tension between Pakistan and
- 7 India. India is one of the largest trading partners of the United
- 8 States, as well as globally it is a rising power. Anything that
- 9 destabilizes the relationship between Pakistan and India is -- can
- 10 have an effect on U.S. national interests. And the more peaceful,
- II the more stable, the more fruitful that relationship between those
- 12 two nations are, the better off the United States interests are
- 13 regionally.
- 14 O. And, sir, if you could, in an unclassified manner, how are
- 15 we assisting the Pakistanis with their security efforts in their
- 16 country?
- 17 A. We had a very large and robust program for providing the
- 18 assistance I will describe. We were providing, as a matter of formal
- 19 security assistance, a great deal of equipment, resources and
- 20 training to the Pakistan military broadly; Army, Air Force, Navy,
- 21 Marines. Not all of it was being used to support the counter-
- 22 insurgency effort in the northwest, but the vast preponderance of it
- 23 was.

- Secondly, as I've already described, we had a growing
- 2 population of U.S. special operations personnel that have been
- 3 brought to Pakistan, at the Pakistani's request, to provide direct
- 4 support to their combat formations that were engaging with violent
- 5 extremist organizations preponderantly in the northwest of the
- $6\,\,$  country in two specifics provinces. One used to be known as the old
- 7 northwest frontier province. Today it's called Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 8 And, also, the Federally Administered Tribal Areas, or FATA of
- 9 Pakistan that is right along the border with Afghanistan. The scale
- 10 of both of these forms of assistance and support had grown steadily
- 11 in the years prior to my arrival and grew steadily in the first year
- 12 and a half of my tenure at ODRP.
- 13 Q. And, sir, in October and November of 2010, how would you
- 14 characterize your relationship and our relationship with the
- 15 Pakistani military? Was it a positive one?
- 16 A. It was a very positive trajectory at the time. It was not
- 17 without problems. It was not without difficulties. It was not
- 18 without friction. But in general it was a positive trajectory and
- 19 increasingly so. It -- this is true for two reasons. First of all,
- 20 the Pakistani military and Pakistani government was becoming
- 21 increasingly aware that the struggle that they had with violent
- 22 extremist organizations, primarily in the northwest of their country,
- 23 was becoming an existential threat to the survival of the nation, and

- 1 they recognized that they needed help. The second reason was because
- 2 as you probably recall in the summer and fall of 2010, there was a
- 3 massive humanitarian crisis in Pakistan as the result of the worst
- 4 flood the country had ever experienced since it was established in
- 5 1947. Approximately 20 percent of the country -- of the land mass of
- 6 Pakistan was submerged under water as a result of this flood. For
- 7 approximately three months the United States government and the
- 8 United States military conducted a massive humanitarian relief
- 9 operation in Pakistan. My specific duties, aside from being the
- 10 Deputy Commander for ODRP, and we were the commander for the
- 11 humanitarian relief efforts by the US military, I also commanded a
- 12 battalion-size helicopter task force in northwest Pakistan, which was
- 13 one of the worst affected areas by this flood. And we, along with
- 14 other international partners and in partnership with the Pakistan
- 15 military, had done a great deal of very difficult work to rescue
- 16 people from the flood-affected areas, to provide humanitarian relief
- 17 supplies and to augment the Pakistani government's attempts to
- 18 recover from the flood. My specific task force, for example, in that
- 19 90-day period we recovered over 40,000 Pakistani citizens from the
- 20 northwest of the country. We were predictably benefiting from a
- 21 great deal of gratitude and good will that our efforts had earned as
- 22 a result of that massive flood relief effort. That was contributing
- 23 to the positive trajectory of our military-to-military relationships.

- 1 Again, not perfect, not without problems and friction, but it was
- 2 definitely a positive trajectory.
- 3 O. Sir, do you recall becoming aware that purported Department
- 4 of State information had been released publicly in November 2010 and
- 5 December 2010?
- A. I do indeed.
- 7 Q. And without disclosing classified information in an open
- 9 this timeframe as a result of the releases?
- 10 A. I did.
- II TC[MAJ FEIN]: Your Honor, we would move to a closed session at
- 12 this time?
- 13 MJ: Defense, do you want to conduct an open cross-examination.
- 14 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
- MJ: How long of a recess do we need. And just before we
- 16 proceed into closed session, we have another witness that we're going
- 17 to hear from today, is that correct?
- 18 ATC[CPT MORROW]: That's correct, ma'am.
- 19 MJ: And we'll be hearing from that witness in open session,
- 20 right?
- 21 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Open and then a very brief closed session for
- 22 that witness.
- 23 MJ: Will we have a need to reopen the session for this witness?

- 1 ATC[CPT MORROW]: No, Your Honor.
- 2 MJ: All right, so for the public's benefit, what time do you
- 3 anticipate -- again, this is going to be tentative time. It may
- 4 depend how long various things that need to occur take place.
- 5 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Ma'am, if the parties may have a moment?
- 6 [Pause]
- 7 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Your Honor, we're going to with 1330 at this
- 9 time.
- MJ: Why don't we make it 1400 to ensure that we -- everything
- 11 that needs to be done is done.
- 12 ATC[CPT MORROW]: That's fine, Your Honor.
- 13 MJ: All right. This Court is now going to go into closed
- 14 session. We will reopen the Court on or about 1400 this afternoon.
- 15 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Ma'am, I'm sorry, and also, just for the record,
- 16 this is -- this closure is pursuant to Appellate Exhibit 550 of the
- 17 Court's previous ruling.
- 18 MJ: Thank you. All right. So how long of a recess do you
- 19 need?
- 20 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Twenty minutes, Your Honor.
- 21 MJ: Major General Nagata, please don't discuss your testimony
- 22 or knowledge of the case with anyone during the recess while we
- 23 transition into close session.

- WIT: I Understand.
   MJ: Court is in recess.
- 3 [The court-martial recessed at 1054, 6 August 2013.]
- 4 [END OF PAGE]

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Pursuant to AE 550, the unclassified and redacted version follows.

1	[The court-martial was called to order at 1125, 6 August 2013.]
2	MJ: Court is called to order. Major Fein, please account for
3	the parties and the status of the court.
4	TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. Your Honor, all parties [present]
5	when the court last recessed are again present. The witness is on
6	the witness standma'am, all parties, when the court last recessed,
7	are again present, includingthe witness is on the witness stand.
8	This is a closed session at the Secret level. The bailiff is
9	present, the Court's paralegal is present, members of the prosecution
10	and defense teams are present, and the security.
11	Also, Your Honor, the court security officer completed his
12	closed hearing checklist and that will be filed with the post-trial
13	allied papers.
14	MJ: Proceed.
15	[The examination of MG Nagata continued.]
16	Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:
17	Q. General Nagata, we talked, briefly, about the
18	, but I'd like to go back to that for a
19	moment, if we could, in closed session.
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3	MJ: Yes?
4	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Sorry, sir. Objection, hearsay, ma'am.
5	MJ: Yes?
6	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Your Honor, we'd offer these statements under
7	M.R.E. 803(3), but he can describe the general nature of the
8	conversation as well.
9	MJ: Well, he was just saying, "He said, 'X.'" So, what are you
10	relying on?
11	ATC[CPT MORROW]: The state of mind of the declarant, M.R.E.
12	803(3).
13	MJ: All right. I'm going to overrule the objection. Go ahead.
14	[Examination of the witness continued.]
15	Q. Sir, let's go back to
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4	MJ: I'm sorry, sir. Could you say that name one more time?
5	WIT:
6	MJ: Thank you.
7	WIT:at the time,
8	[Examination of the witness continued.]
9	Q. And, sir,
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11	Α.
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13	Q. And, sir, if you would, just describe sort of what occurred
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6	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Morrow, I'm sorry. Ma'am, we would
7	renew our objection. Based on the government's response, we don't
8	believe what General Nagata is talking about
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13	MJ: Is the request hearsay?
14	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am. Wema'am, we believe the request
15	is hearsay, yes.
16	MJ: All right. Is it offered for the truth of something in the
17	past? The government has offered it under M.R.E. 803(3), so I've
18	overruled your objection.
19	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Thanks, ma'am.
20	[Examination of the witness continued.]

1	Q. General Nagata, I'm handing you what's been marked as
2	Prosecution Exhibit 202 for identification. Can you just briefly
3	describe what that is?
4	A. [Examining PE 202 for identification.]
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7	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Your Honor, permission to publish?
8	MJ: Go ahead. And it's Prosecution Exhibitwhat?
9	ATC[CPT MORROW]: 202 for identification.
10	MJ: Okay.
11	[The assistant trial counsel published PE 202 for identification on
12	the projected screen.]
13	Q. Sir, we'll talk about
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1	entirely from the Northwest. Either the people that were operating
2	with those Frontier Corps brigades or the training centers in Khyber
3	Pakhtunkhwahe told me, specifically, "Do not bring them back to
4	Islamabad. Do not send them back to the United States." His
5	expectation, as he explained it to me, was this was a temporary
6	suspension.
7	Q. How did having
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16	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Morrow
17	MJ: Yes?
18	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]:if I can interrupt. Ma'am, just our
19	1001(b)(4) objection.
20	MJ: Got it.
21	[Examination of the witness continued.]

1	Q.	And, sir,
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4	Α.	
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7	Q.	And, sir, you referred to, sort of, theand maybe I'm
8	using my	own wordbut the
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10	Α.	Yes.
11	Q.	Can you describe how that worked
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13	Α.	
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15	Q. And what did you observe after the release,
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20	MJ: And how long were you there? I'm sorry, sin
21	WIT: I left in September of 2011.

1	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, we would object to that last answer,
2	again, under 1001(b)(4).
3	MJ: The 2011 or the other one?
4	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: The 2011. TheI'm sorry, ma'am. The
5	informationthe 2011 information
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7	MJ: All right. Thank you.
8	[Examination of the witness continued.]
9	Q. Circa, once the transition a bit into some of thesort of
.0	the other observations and impacts you experienced while you were
.1	there. Are you familiar with the phrase,
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.3	A. I am.
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ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Morrow, again--ma'am, 1001(b)(4).

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1	$\ensuremath{MJ}\xspace$ . Let me ask just a follow up question on that. I	
2	don't understand	
3	WIT:	
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15	MJ: All right. Thank you. I have your objection.	
16	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.	
17	[Examination of the witness continued.]	
18	Q. Sir, you referred to a,	
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20	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Morrow1001(b)(4), ma'am.
21	MJ: Got it.
22	[Examination of the witness continued.]
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1	Q. Sir, did this
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20	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Morrow, 1001(b)(4), ma'am.
21	[Examination of the witness continued.]

1 Q. And, sir,

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3	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Sorry, 1001(b)(4), ma'am.
4	Q. Sir, overall,
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14	Q. And, sir,
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16	A. No, it had not.
17	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Thank you, sir.
18	MJ: Cross examination?
19	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Thank you, ma'am.
20	ATC[CPT MORROW]: I'm handing the court reporter Prosecution
21	Exhibit 202 for identification.

1	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captainwell, let's leave that just in case
2	it comes up. I don't know if it will, but in an abundance of
3	caution, thank you.
4	I'm putting prosecution Exhibit 202 for identification bac
5	up on the monitor. Sir, can you see it okay?
6	WIT: I can.
7	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Sir, I'm going to take a second just to get
8	organized, if that's okay. Ma'am, same.
9	MJ: Certainly.
10	CROSS-EXAMINATION
11	Questions by the assistant defense counsel [MAJ HURLEY]:
12	Q. It's barely morning. Good morning, General Nagata.
13	A. Good morning.
14	Q. Sir, let's start off with
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18	A. That is correct.
19	Q. And
20	MJ: when?
21	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: I'm going to answer that question right now,
22	ma'am.

Q.
 A. That is correct.

5 Q.

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6 A. Roughly.

8 Q.

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11 A. Yes.

12 Q.

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14 A.

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16 Q. And you also describe then, generally, it's difficulties?

17 A.

18 Q.

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A. That is correct.

1	Q.	
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4	Α.	
5	Q.	Not just
6	Α.	That's correct.
7	Q.	Oftenand this is just a generalized notion, General
8	Nagatab	out often the concerns and thethat are felt in the
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12	Α.	Very often, yes.
13	Q.	
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16	Α.	
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5	Q.	And that
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7	Α.	It does.
8	Q.	
9	A.	It does.
10	Q.	And there were concernsand just getting back to the
11	general	arc of my questions
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14	A.	
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1	Q.	But one dimension of that concern
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4	Α.	In some cases, yes.
5	Q.	Now, you testified earlier that there
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7	Α.	Yes.
8	Q.	And that
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10	Α.	It did.
11	Q.	
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13	A.	That's correct.
14	Q.	
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A. They do. 

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1	Q		And the WikiLeaks disclosures,
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8	A		In my estimation, yes.
9	Q	2.	And there were other factors that contributed to the
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15	Q	·	And, sir, I just want to go over parts of the closed direc
16	that y	ou j	ust did with Captain Morrow, okay?
L 7	А	١.	Uh-huh.
18	Ç	Q.	The
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20	A	١.	Correct.
21	Ç	2.	And there was also
22	P	٨.	Correct.

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3	A. That's correct.
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9	Q. And we'll get to
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11	Α.
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15	Q. Yes, sir. Soand, again, going back to the closed part o
16	your direct, sir, you indicated with Captain Morrow that there were-
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19	Α.
20	Q. Are thereand that observation that you had was from your
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21	Q.	And t	hese	were w	with	your	
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5	Q.	Now, sir, again, you testified in your closed direct that
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2	Q.	And then, after that,
.3	Α.	We did.
. 4	Q.	Did you attempt to identify any other
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7	Q.	Now, and just since we're on the topic, sirin you
8	conversat	ions
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10	Α.	Okay.
11	Q.	
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13	Α.	He did.
14	Q.	And that was reflected, also,
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16	Α.	It was.
17	Q.	
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21	Α.	That is correct;

1	Q.	Now, you testified that
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3	Α.	That's correct.
4	Q.	And that
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6	Α.	Approximately.
7	Q.	And you testified in your open direct that there were
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10	Α.	There were.
11	Q.	And that those challenges,
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3	Q.	And, sir,
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5	Α.	Uh-huh.
6	Q.	there were
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8	A.	There is always friction in that relationship.
9	Q.	And, typically speaking, from our conversation earlier
10	today,	
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13	A.	
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21	Q.	Right. Sir, I'm just editing a couple of questions I've
22	already	asked you.

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5	Α.	Yes, it was,
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.3	MJ:	What was that number again, I'm sorry?
L 4	WIT:	
1.5	MJ:	Thank you.
16	[Examinat	ion of the witness continued.]
L7	Q.	And that was the result of
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L 9	Α.	Yes, it was.
20	Q.	So let's talk aboutand these, again, sir are in general
21	terms	

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3	Α.	They are, indeed.
4	Q.	And those with
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7	Α.	Right. I would characterize it a little differently
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.5	Α.	I don't think I know
. 6	Q.	They
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.0	A. The topic you've raised is something I cannot discuss in
.1	this setting.
2	Q. Yes, sir. Sir, could you discuss the
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1	Q.	The-do you recall assessing that
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10	Q.	Yes, sir. Generally speaking, sir, you knew that
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13	Α.	Yes, that's always true.
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17	Q.	And that attitude existed before the WikiLeaks disclosures?
18	Α.	It did.
19	Q.	And it certainly existed after as well?
20	Α.	
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- 1 Q. All right, sir. So, what I want to do now is I'm going to
- 2 try be, in my subsequent questions, very specific in terms of time
- 3 frames.
- 4 MJ: All right.
- 5 Q. And the first time frame that I want to talk about is from

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- A. Uh-huh.
- 8 Q.
- 9 MJ: All right.
- 10 Q. So that discreet period of time.
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. Sir, how long was that period of time, to your memory?
- 13 A. My recollection is that spanned,

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- 15 MJ: I'm sorry, that
- 16 WIT:

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- 18 [Examination of the witness continued.]
- 19 Q. So, approximately 2 months?
- 20 A. Thereabouts.

1	Q.	All right, sir. So, injust to
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4	Α.	
5	Q.	
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7	Α.	
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9	Q.	
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11	Α.	It did.
12	Q.	And, again, you indicated that that incident happened
13	around Fe	bruary of 2011?
14	Α.	Yes, I can't remember the exact date, but I believe it was
15	in Februa	ry.
16	Q.	And, sir, now, let's go back to the substance of your
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18	Α.	Yes.
19	Q.	
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15 A. 16 Q.

17 18 A. 19 Q.

20 A. 21 Q.

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13	Q.	And in the
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15	Α.	Okay.
16	Q.	Going back to
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1	A.	Okay.
2	Q.	I hope is less convoluted
3	Α.	All right.
4	Q.	
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6	Α.	Yes.
7	Q.	
8	Α.	That's correct.
9	Q.	And he
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11	Α.	Right.
12	Q.	
13	Α.	
14	Q.	
15	Α.	
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20	0.	And the effects that you

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A. Uh-huh.

1	Q.	were those all of the effects that you talked with
2	Captain	Morrow about, sir, in your direct examination?
3	A.	Yes.
4	Q.	Do you recall, in the conversation that you had with
5	Captain	Morrow during your direct examination,
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8	A.	
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12	Q.	And speaking of the
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15	A.	All right.
16	Q.	The
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18	A.	Yes, as far as I know, unrelated.
19	Q.	Now,
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4	A.	In my view	, ·	yes.				
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7	Q.	Right. Ar	nd	theand	it	goes	both	ways
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11	A.	I do not k	cno	W.				
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7	Q.	But it did
8	Α.	Absolutely.
9	Q.	And that
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11	Α.	That is correct.
12	Q.	
13	Α.	It did.
14	Q.	And that
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16	Α.	I think that's the right date, yes.
17	Q.	And the United States government representatives killed
18	Osama bin	Laden in his home in Abbottabad, Pakistan?
19	Α.	That's correct.
20	MJ:	And the date of that was?
21	WIT:	I'm sorry, ma'am?
22	MJ:	The date of that was?

1	WIT: I believe you said 1 May of 2011.
2	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Does that generally comport with your memory,
3	sir?
4	WIT: I believe that's the right date.
5	[Examination of the witness continued.]
6	Q.
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8	Α.
9	Q. And that concern
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13	A. It was.
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1	Q.	And this incident
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4	Α.	I did not.
5	Q.	
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9	Α.	Yes, that's my understanding.
10	Q.	Overall,
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12	A.	It did.
13	Q.	And thereagain, much like before, counterfactuals, here
14	are just	far too speculative to suss out which waswhich of these
15	three cor	mplicating factors, sir, was the worst to have to deal with
16	Α.	Yes, however,
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4	Q.	Now, sir, you talked about
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6	Α.	Uh-huh.
7	Q.	
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11	Α.	Yes.
12	Q.	And that
13	Α.	Yes.
14	Q.	
15	Α.	
16	Q.	
17	Α.	

Α.

Q. And we

1	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Just going through the other questions I have,
2	sir, to make sure that I've already asked them. If I can have a
3	second, ma'am? Sir, thank you. I don't have any further questions.
4	MJ: Redirect?
5	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Just briefly, Your Honor.
6	REDIRECT EXAMINATION
7	Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:
8	Q. Sir, you
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0	A. I did.
.1	Q. And, in your opinion,
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16	Q. And how would you
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18	Α.
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4	Q.	And, sir,
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7	A.	
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16		Fortunately,
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1	ATC[CP	T MORROW]: Thank you, sir. I have nothing further.	
2	MJ: S:	ir, I just have a couple of questions.	
3		EXAMINATION COURT-MARTIAL	
4	Questions by	y the military judge:	
5	Q. W	hen was the flood?	
6	A. T	he flood occurred in August of 2010.	
7	Q. I	believe testified to WikiLeaks release was early December	ber
8	of 2010?		
9	A. I	think the release was in late November.	
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13	Q. H	low did the WikiLeaks	
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15	Α.		
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19	Q. A	and I believe you testified earlier,	
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18 A. Yes.

Q.

19 Q.

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13 A. Yes.

14 Q. 15

17 A.

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1920 Q. There was a

20 Q. There was a

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4	A. No, there was not.
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6	A. No.
7	MJ: I think that's all I have. Does either side have anything
8	further, based on what I asked?
9	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, I do have a question.
10	MJ: Go ahead.
11	RECROSS EXAMINATION
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12	Questions by the assistant defense counsel [MAJ HURLEY]:
13	Questions by the assistant defense counsel [MAJ HURLEY]: Q. General Nagata,
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13 14 15	Q. General Nagata,
13 14 15	Q. General Nagata,  A. That is correct.

1	REDIRECT EXAMINATION	
2	Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:	
3	Q. Sir, in your estimation,	
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7	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Thank you.	
8	MJ: Well, the defense counsel's actually triggered another one	
9	from me.	
10	EXAMINATION BY THE COURT-MARTIAL	
11	Questions by the military judge:	
12	Q. The question that you responded to was:	
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15	A. That's correct.	
16	Q. Did the language ever change	
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1	Q. I believe you testified earlier that
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5	A. Yes, they did.
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LO	Q. And I don't want to misinterpret things that you say-
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17	MJ: Thank you, sir. Any follow-up based on that?
18	ATC[CPT MORROW]: No, Your Honor.
19	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
20	MJ: Temporary or permanent excusal?
21	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Temporary, Your Honor.

- 1 [The witness was duly warned, temporarily excused, and withdrew from
- 2 the courtroom.]
- 3 ATC[CPT MORROW]: I'm retrieving Prosecution Exhibit 202 for
- 4 identification from the ELMO.
- 5 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Thank you, Captain Morrow.
- 6 [The assistant trial counsel handed PE 202 for identification to the
- 7 court reporter.]
- 8 MJ: All right. The Court is noticing it's a little over an
- 9 hour until 1400. Do you want to make it a little bit later?
- 10 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am, I think we can make 1400.
- 11 MJ: You can make 1400?
- 12 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am, and let me rephrase my answer to
- 13 the Court's question: I'll be read at--or the defense will be ready
- 14 at 1400.
- 15 MJ: Okay. Because what I don't want to do is have dribbles and
- 16 drabs, "I need another 15 minutes, I need another 15 minutes," so
- 17 we're going to be ready at 1400?
- 18 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.
- 19 MJ: Okay, so be it. Court is in recess until 1400.
- [The court-martial recessed at 1249, 6 August 2013.]

- [The court-martial was called to order at 1405, 6 August 2013.]
- 2 MJ: Court is called to order. Major Fein, please account for
- 3 the parties.
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. All parties in the Court when the
- 5 last recessed are again present except Captain Overgaard is absent.
- 6 Also, ma'am, this is an unclassified session, and prior to its
- 7 opening the Court security officer completed his open hearing
- 8 checklist to be filed with the post-trial allied papers.
- 9 MJ: Is there anything we need to address before we call the
- 10 witness?
- 11 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 12 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
- 13 MJ: Please call the witness.
- 14 ATC[CPT MORROW]: The United States calls Colonel Julian
- 15 Chesnutt.
- 16 COLONEL JULIAN CHESNUTT, U.S. Air Force, was called as a witness for
- 17 the prosecution, was sworn, and testified as follows:
- 18 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 19 Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:
- 20 O. Sir, you are Colonel Julian Chesnutt, United States Air
- 21 Force?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And you are currently the senior defense official and the

- 1 Defense Attaché to Israel?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Sir, where are you currently physically located? Do you
- 4 work out of Israel?
- 5 A. Tel Aviv.
- 6 Q. And how long have you been in that position?
- A. Approximately one year.
- 8 Q. And, sir, generally, what are your responsibilities as the
- 9 senior defense official and the defense attaché to Israel?
- 10 A. Primarily duty is the military advisor to the U.S.
- 11 ambassador.
- 12 O. And do you supervise personnel in that position?
- 13 A. Approximately 30 personnel.
- 14 MJ: I'm going to ask you, if you would, sir, please speak up
- 15 just a little bit.
- 16 WIT: Okav.
- 17 Q. You said you supervise approximately 30 personnel?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And who are the people you supervise?
- 20 A. I have attachés from every service, operations NCOs from
- 21 every service, and locally engaged staff Israelis and several GS
- 22 civilians.
- 23 Q. And, sir, can you describe, generally, the oversight

- 1 relationship between your service of the United States Air Force, the
- 2 Department of Defense, and the Department of State, how that sort of
- 3 works together?
- 4 A. Right. I'm still, obviously, an Air Force officer on loan
- 5 to -- for the -- administratively to Defense Intelligence Agency Who,
- 6 in turn, staffs us out to State Department run U.S. embassies.
- 7 Q. And, sir, as the defense attaché, are you part of the
- 8 country team?
- 9 A. Yes, I am.
- 10 Q. And, sir, prior to your assignment as a senior defense
- 11 official and defense attaché to Israel, where were you assigned?
- A. To Islamabad, Pakistan.
- 13 Q. And where were you working in Islamabad?
- 14 A. I was working in the U.S. Embassy there as the defense
- 15 attaché.
- 16 O. And were you the senior defense attaché to Pakistan?
- 17 A. Yes, I was.
- 18 Q. And how long were you in that position, sir?
- 19 A. Two years.
- 20 O. And can you give me like sort of an approximate start date
- 21 and an approximate end date?
- 22 A. Mid-November 2010 until October 2012.
- 23 Q. And, sir, as the senior defense attaché in Pakistan, did

- 1 you work under the ODRP?
- A. I worked alongside with ODRP, but we had a separate
- 3 reporting chain.
- 4 Q. And, sir, generally, what were your responsibilities in
- 5 that position, sort of the same as what you're doing now?
- 6 A. Also, the -- as a military advisor to the U.S. ambassador.
- 7 Q. And can you describe -- do you have, like, representational
- 8 duties and that sort of thing as well? Can you describe that for the
- 9 Court, please?
- 10 A. Yes, I'm the -- I represent the Department of Defense to
- 11 the host nation military. And then each of my service attachés,
- 12 whether Air Force, Navy, Army represent their specific service to the
- 13 host nations, Air Force, Army, Navy as the case may be.
- 14 O. And, sir, are you here today to discuss impacted defense
- 15 attaché operations you observed as a result of disclosure of
- 16 purported Department of State information?
- 17 A. Yes, I am.
- 18 O. All right, sir. Before we sort of dive more deeply into
- 19 your time in Islamabad, I'd like to briefly discuss your career
- 20 progression. How long have you served as an officer in the United
- 21 States Air Force?
- 22 A. Twenty-four years.
- Q. And what was your military area of specialty before

- l becoming a defense attaché?
- 2 A. Pilot. Specifically A-10 and F-16 pilot.
- 3 Q. And have you held any command positions in the Air Force?
- 4 A. Yes, several flight commands and squadron command and
- 5 deputy group command.
- 6 Q. And have you deployed during your career?
- 7 A. Yes, I have.
- 8 Q. To where, sir?
- 9 A. To Iraq, to Korea, twice to Turkey, to Cape Verde, to
- 10 Panama, to Romania and -- those are my primary ones.
- 12 Q. And, sir, how do you -- can you describe for the Court how
- 13 you made the transition from sort of a pilot career track to the
- 14 defense attaché service?
- 15 A. I was serving one year as an instructor at Georgetown
- 16 University as a national defense fellow and I was working for --
- 17 supervised by a former U.S. Ambassador who recommended that career
- 18 path.

- 19 Q. And can you describe the training you received as a defense
- 20 attaché?
- 21 A. Approximately six months of attaché training, followed by
- 22 six months of Urdu language training, which is the national language
- 23 of Pakistan, and approximately six months of flight training to fly

- 1 the C12 aircraft, which is located in Pakistan.
- 2 Q. So you had -- you had additional flight duties as well as
- 3 your sort of duties as a defense attaché in Pakistan?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. And, sir, approximately how long from sort of start to
- 6 finish was the defense attaché training?
- 7 A. Eighteen months.
- 8 Q. And, sir, how does the defense attaché training prepare you
- 9 for particular countries assignments?
- 10 A. The attaché School itself is general. It trains attachés
- 11 for every country -- U.S. attaches for every country. And then you
- 12 have a phase of approximately one month where you meet with experts
- 13 in the U.S. government on your host nation in the country you go to.
- 14 Then, in addition to that, you normally receive a language training
- 15 and that can be anywhere from three months to a year.
- 16 Q. And, sir, how are you -- how did you end up working in
- 17 Pakistan versus some other country? How did that work?
- 18 A. I was -- I volunteered to go. Then my service -- the Air
- 19 Force nominated me and a joint decision through DIA and the Air Force
- 20 and the joint staff and vetting by the ambassador to take the
- 21 position.
- 22 O. And, sir, did you have any experience in that region prior
- 23 to your position as the defense attaché there?

- A. No, my first assignment.
- 2 Q. And what about your experience with bilateral military
- 3 relationships?
- 4 A. I had conducted several combined exercises primarily with
- 5 NATO allies throughout my career.
- Q. All right, sir, let's talk about some of your
- 7 responsibilities while assigned to Islamabad -- or U.S. Embassy,
- 8 Islamabad. What were the primary sort of missions you were promoting
- 9 while assigned as a defense attaché there? What were you trying to
- 10 do? Or what was the mission of the attaché office?
- 11 A. We were -- we coordinated engagements, exercises, and
- 12 defense cooperation with the host nation military. We also
- 13 represented our service components to the host nation military and we
- 14 -- we gave advice to other members of the country team and other
- 15 members of ODRP about how we best thought we could assist the
- 16 Pakistanis in conducting counter-insurgency operations to assist our
- 17 efforts in Afghanistan.
- 18 Q. And, sir, while serving as the defense attaché to Pakistan,
- 19 do you recall becoming aware of the release of purported State
- 20 Department information in the November of 2010 timeframe, so shortly
- 21 after you got there?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And, generally, how did you first become aware of -- that

- 1 this was something that was going on?
- A. Through the open press.
- 3 Q. Are you talking about the open press in Pakistan?
- 4 A. In Pakistan and through U.S. outlets in Pakistan.
- 5 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Your Honor, as this time, we would move to a
- 6 closed session, but if defense wants an opportunity to cross.
- 7 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, we don't have any open session cross-
- 8 examination questions.
- 9 MJ: All right. Well, is there any reason that we need to have
- 10 another open session before the end of the day? I will have my
- 11 ruling with respect to yesterday's witness. However, I can give it
- 12 to the parties and just read it on the record following the next
- 13 morning if that's preferable.
- 14 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Tomorrow is fine, Your Honor.
- 15 MJ: What time would you like us to start tomorrow morning?
- 16 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Ma'am, do you want to start at 10? Can we have
- 17 a second to talk?
- 18 MJ: Yes, please.
- 19 [Pause]
- 20 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ten o'clock's fine, ma'am.
- 21 MJ: We'll start at 10:00?
- 22 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, please.
- 23 MJ: All right. Members of the gallery, we are going to move

- 1 into closed session based upon my findings in Appellate Exhibit -- I
- 2 believe it was 450?
- 3 TC[MAJ FEIN]: 550, Your Honor.
- 4 MJ: 550. Okay. That will be the conclusion of the open
- 5 proceedings today. We will be starting at 1000 tomorrow. As I said
- 6 earlier, I have a ruling ready to go for the witness that testified
- 7 yesterday. I will give the parties that ruling in advance today, and
- $8\,\,$  I will read it on the record tomorrow. Is there anything else we
- 9 need to address before we recess for the closed session?
- 10 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
- 11 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 12 MJ: All right. Colonel Chesnutt, during the recess, please
- 13 don't discuss your testimony with anyone. As soon as we recess
- 14 you're free to step out.
- 15 WIT: Yes, ma'am.
- 16 MJ: Court is in recess.
- [The court-martial recessed at 1415, 6 August 2013.]
- 18 [END OF PAGE]

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21 [The court-martial was called to order at 1445, 6 August 2013.]

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Closed Session 1

1	MJ: Court is called to order. Major Fein, please account for
2	the parties and the status of the courtroom. And
3	TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes.
4	MJ:the witness is on the witness chair.
5	TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. All parties, when the court last
6	recessed, are again present. This is a closed session at the Secret
7	level, Your Honor. Included with the parties is the bailiff, the
8	Court's paralegal, members of the defense team, members of the
9	prosecution team, and security.
L 0	Also, the court security officer has completed a closed
11	hearing checklist and that will be filed with the post-trial allied
12	papers.
1.3	MJ: Okay. Proceed.
1.4	[Examination of Colonel Chesnutt continued.]
15	Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:
16	Q. Colonel Chesnutt, before we get into some of the impact you
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1	Q.	All right. So let's sort of move into what happened in the
2	aftermath	of the release of cables.
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9	Q.	And why did you do that, sir?
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13	Q.	So was it more, sir,
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15	A.	Right.
16	Q.	And, sir,
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18	A.	Yes
19	Q.	
20	A.	Yeah,
21	Q.	And can you explain that, please?

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4	Q.	And you were the
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6	Α.	Yes, I did.
7	Q.	And, sir,
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9	Α.	
10	Q.	And who was set to be his replacement?
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12	Q.	
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14	Α.	
15	Q.	And why not?
16	MJ:	Yes?
17	ADC[	MAJ HURLEY]: I'm sorry to interrupt. 1001(b)(4), ma'am.
18	MJ:	Okay. Just a moment. Noted.
19	[Examinat	ion of the witness continued.]
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8	Q.	All right, so let's explore this a little bit
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1	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]:
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3	[Examination of the witness continued.]
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11	A. Right.
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16	WIT: Okay.
17	[Examination of the witness continued.]
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10	A. Yes, it became increasingly difficult.
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21	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Morrow, if I could1001(b)(4) on the
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1	MJ: Okay. Got it.
2	[Examination of the witness continued.]
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6	A. Yes, it was.
7	Q. And can you explain that, please?
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15	MJ: Yes?
16	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Pardon me. Objection, hearsay, ma'am.
17	MJ: All right. What's the
18	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Your Honor, we'd often under 803(3) as well.
19	MJ: Okay. Your objection is noted.
20	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.
21	MJ: And go ahead; it's overruled right now.
22	[Evamination of the Witness continued.]

1	Q.	Sir,
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8	Α.	Yes, it was.
9	Q.	And how so?
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16	Q.	
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19	A.	Yes.
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22	Α.	As a rule, yes.

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1	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, the
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3	MJ: Okay.
4	[Examination of the witness continued.]
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ATC[CPT MORROW]: Thank you, sir.
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        MJ: Thank you. Defense?
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        ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am. Sir, ma'am, if I can take a
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    second to get organized here?
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                             CROSS-EXAMINATION
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    Questions by the assistant defense counsel [MAJ HURLEY]:
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        Q. Good afternoon, sir.
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        A. Good afternoon.
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3		Q.	Sir, you testified, just there at the end,
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5		Α.	Yes.
6		Q.	Do you recallwe've had two interviews before today, is
7	that	corr	ect?
8		A.	Yes.
9		Q.	One was yesterday and one was months ago over in Tamberg?
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.1		Q.	And, in those interviews, you indicated that,
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.5		Α.	Yes.
L 6		Q.	So, sir, and going on,
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L 9		Α.	Yes.
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7	Q.	So, sir, getting back to these
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10	A.	Yes.
11	Q.	
12	A.	Yes.
13	Q.	
14	Α.	Yes.
15	Q.	
16	Α.	Yes.
17	Q.	Sir,and before I move on from
18	that	
19	Α.	Right.
20	Q.	in our conversations previously,
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A. Right.

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4	A.	Yes.
5	Q.	And that's your testimony, here, today as well?
6	Α.	Yes.
7	Q.	
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9	A.	Yes.
LO	Q.	So, sir, moving on to
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L 4	A.	
15	Q.	The bin Laden raid. Thank you. Abbottabad. And that
16	happened	approximately 1 May 2011?
17	A.	Yes.
18	Q.	And the bin Laden raidthat's the raid that bin Laden was
19	killed,	right?
20	A.	Yes.
21	Q.	
22	Α.	Yes, it did.

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8 A. Yes.

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16 Q. And, sir, going back, again,

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18 A. Sure.

19 Q. ----I just neglected to ask you this question.

20 , in no way, connected to the WikiLeaks disclosures,

21 to you knowledge, right?

22 A. No, no connection.

Q. And the Abbottabad raid--I'm just going to have to use my 1 Oklahoma pronunciation on that ----A. "Bin Laden raid" works too. 3 Q. ---and I apologize. Yeah, "bin Laden raid." Let's go 4 with that one. 6 7 Α. Not that I'm aware of. 8 Q. 9 10 11 Α. Yes. 12 0. 13 14 Α. 15 MJ: By what time? 16 WIT: By May 2011. MJ: I don't mean to interrupt you, 18 19 WIT: 20 MJ: Thank you.

1	[Examinati	on of the witness continued.]
2	Q.	Thank you, sir. Sir, we talked, yesterday, about your
3	leaving in	October of 2012?
4	Α.	Yes.
5	Q.	And I recall, yesterday,
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7	Α.	Yes.
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10	ACC:	Yes.
11	Q.	
12		Yes, I have.
13	Q.	
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15	Α.	
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19	Q.	Sir, theI forgot to ask you about
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21		oning, sir, maybe. I apologize for skipping around.
22	Α.	Right. SECRET
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1	Q.	
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3	A.	Yes.
4	Q.	The
5	Α.	Yes.
6	Q.	
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8	A.	
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11	Q.	And, sir, if I could get you to tease out, in your mind,
12	the probl	em that resulted only because
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15	Α.	About a month.
16	Q.	Okay, so the early part of December 2010?
17	A.	Yes.
18	Q.	And the
19	Α.	Yes.
20	Q.	So there was a 2-month time window when itwhen the only
21	complicat	ing factor was the WikiLeaks disclosures.
22	Α.	Yes.

1	Q.	And the incidents that you described with Captain Morrow on
2	direct	-
3	A.	Yes.
4	Q.	canand I believe there were a few of them and I'll
5	just go t	hrough a few of them just to see if you can recall if that
6	was just	during that time window or at any other time window.
7	A.	Yes.
8	Q.	All right?
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.1	Α.	Yes,
.2	Q.	
. 3	Α.	Yes.
4	Q.	
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.7	Α.	
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3	Q. And, in your memory,
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Can youas you sit there right now, can you think of any
6	of the effects, that you talked with Captain Morrow on direct,
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12	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Sir, I'm just going to take a look at my
1.3	notes. Colonel Chesnutt, I don't have any more questions.
L 4	WIT: Thank you.
15	MJ: Redirect?
16	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Briefly, Your Honor.
L 7	REDIRECT EXAMINATION
18	Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT MORROW]:
19	Q. Sir, you
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22	A. Right.
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1	Q.
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3	A.
4	Q. And you, obviously,
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16	ATC[CPT MORROW]: Thank you, sir.
17	MJ: Anything else from the defense?
18	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am, other than the lastthe disablity
19	[sic] to provide , ma'am, we'd object to that
20	under 1001(b)(4).
21	MJ: Okay. Just give me one second, here.
22	EXAMINATION BY THE COURT-MARTIAL
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- Q. And that was after the release of the WikiLeaks cables?
- 15 A. Specifically,

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- 17 MJ: I think that's all I have. Anything based on that?
- 18 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.

Questions by the military judge:

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- 19 ATC[CPT MORROW]: No, Your Honor.
- 20 MJ: Temporary or permanent excusal?
- 21 ATC[CPT MORROW]: Temporary, Your Honor.

- 1 [The witness was duly warned, temporarily excused and withdrew from
- 2 the courtroom.]
- 3 MJ: Counsel, we said 10 o'clock tomorrow, right?
- 4 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.
- 5 MJ: Okay. I should have the last order with Undersecretary
- 6 Kennedy ready, probably, in about 10 minutes. So I can either give
- 7 it to the court reporter or if you just want to come by chambers and
- 8 get it; whatever works. Anything else we need to address?
- 9 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, may we confer with the parties for just
- 10 a second?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 [The parties for both sides conferred.]
- 13 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, we just wanted to talk to you about the
- 14 way forward that we reached with respect to this classified evidence
- 15 and we'll probably use the same procedure tomorrow, as necessary.
- 16 What we're going to do is write out our objections--write them out--
- 17 hand-write them because of the--some constraints we have with this
- 18 classified evidence--the government will type out our objections and
- 19 then type out their responses on an appropriately classified
- 20 computer, print that out and then deliver that to you--whatever means
- 21 the Court would like.

- 1 MJ: Okay. Why don't we do it this way--will this work: if you
- 2 can deliver it to me in the morning so--I can't see another way to do
- 3 that--then I'll have it tomorrow morning. During the course of the
- 4 day, I'll go through it, I'll have the classified--my classified
- 5 notes, here, as well, and then just address it piece-by-piece, day-
- 6 by-day witnesses. Does that work?
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am, we'll complete it tonight and have it
- 8 ready for Mr. Prather tomorrow morning for when you show up.
- 9 MJ: All right.
- 10 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: The defense has no objection to that course of
- 11 action, ma'am.
- 12 MJ: Okay. Anything else we need to address?
- 13 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 14 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
- 15 MJ: Court is in recess until zero--or 1000 tomorrow.
- 16 [The court-martial recessed at 1511, 6 August 2013.]
- 17 [END OF PAGE]

- 1 [The court-martial was called to order at 1012, 7 August 2013.]
- MJ: Please be seated. Court's called to order. Major Fein,
- 3 please account for the parties.
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, Your Honor. All parties present when court
- 5 last recessed are present with the only exceptions: Captain Morrow
- 6 is absent, Captain Overgaard is present.
- 7 Also, ma'am as of 9:55 this morning, seven members of the
- 8 media at the media operation center, one stenographer, no media in
- 9 the courtroom, eleven spectators in the courtroom, the overflow
- 10 trailer is not being used but it's available.
- 11 Additionally, Your Honor, yesterday what's been marked as
- 12 Appellate Exhibit 642 is titled, "The Government Response to Defense
- 13 Objections under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4)," for Major General Nagata and
- 14 Colonel Chesnutt dated yesterday, 7 August 2013, and it's classified.
- 15 Incorporated within that, based off of the agreement of the parties,
- 16 is also the defense's handwritten filing, the government wrote that
- 17 out and that's included in Appellate Exhibit 642.
- 18 Also, at the next recess the government will be having
- 19 marked the redacted unclassified version of Appellate Exhibit 642.
- 20 MJ: All right. So just to make sure for the record that we're
- 21 clear, both sides have agreed that for classified objections the
- 22 defense will hand write them out, give them to the government, and

- 1 there will be one, basically, joint filing that includes the defense
- 2 objections as well as the government's response?
- 3 CDC[MR. COOMBS]: Yes, ma'am.
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 5 MJ: Okay.
- 6 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Also, ma'am, I apologize, this is an open session
- 7 of course, it's unclassified and I have the court security officer's
- 8 open hearing checklist and it will be filed with the Post-Trial
- 9 Appellate Exhibits.
- 10 MJ: All right. Thank you. As I said yesterday, the court is
- 11 prepared to rule on the defense motion for appropriate relief under
- 12 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) for Under Secretary Kennedy. I gave that ruling to
- 13 the parties vesterday so they would be prepared for today. The
- 14 ruling is as follows:
- On 5 August 2013, in accordance with the procedures
- 16 established in the court's ruling, defense motion for appropriate
- 17 relief under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) Appellate Exhibit 639, the defense
- 18 filed the following six specific objections to the testimony of Under
- 19 Secretary Patrick Kennedy, Appellate Exhibit 636:
- 20 Also, on 5 August 2013, the government filed a response in
- 21 opposition, Appellate Exhibit 637. For each defense objection, the
- 22 government position is below the objection followed by the court's
- 23 ruling on that objection.

One, the testimony relating to the diminution of reporting 1 through diplomats in the field and through those who would speak to 2 Department of State diplomats in various countries. Under Secretary 3 Kennedy indicated that he believed the diminution of reporting was 4 due to a chilling effect caused by the charged leaks in the case. 5 The defense objects to this testimony as not being directly related 6 to or resulting from PFC Manning's misconduct under R.C.M. 7 1001(b)(4). 8 Government's position: Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion on 9 diminution of reporting was based on facts or data perceived by or 10 made known to Under Secretary Kennedy before the hearing. His 11 conclusion was that PFC Manning's misconduct caused a diminution of 12 reporting, which was the natural and probable consequence of PFC 13 Manning's actions, and not based on any intervening event that played 14 the only important part in bringing about the effect. 15 Ruling: A. Under Secretary Kennedy's testimony that there 16 was a diminution in reporting due to chilling effect caused by 17 WikiLeaks' releases of purported Department of State cables given to 18 WikiLeaks by PFC Manning is admissible aggravation evidence under 19 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) with the caveat: to the extent that Under Secretary 20 Kennedy's testimony is limited to periods directly following the 21

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WikiLeaks releases or directly following subsequent media accounts of

- 1 the WikiLeaks releases in the various countries. It is directly
- 2 related to and resulting from PFC Manning's offenses.
- 3 B. The foundation for Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion
- 4 that PFC Manning's misconduct resulted in the WikiLeaks disclosures
- 5 of the purported Department of State cables caused a long-term
- 6 diminution in reporting that continues to date is not based on
- 7 quantifiable data, it is speculative and inadmissible under M.R.E.
- 8 403. The court will not consider it.
- 9 Two, the testimony related to the belief that if we, the
- 10 United States, do not have the trust of others we cannot get accurate
- 11 information and that if we, the United States, do not get accurate
- 12 information we cannot compile a complete product. The defense
- 13 objects to this testimony as not directly related to or resulting
- 14 from PFC Manning's misconduct under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4).
- 15 The government's position: Under Secretary Kennedy
- 16 provided this information as context for the foundation of his
- 17 ultimate opinion and this was based on his personal experience and
- 18 knowledge.
- 19 Ruling: This is explanatory testimony that falls within the
- 20 scope of Under Secretary Kennedy's expertise in the use of diplomatic
- 21 reporting. It is admissible under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) for that
- 22 purpose.

Three, the testimony related to the belief that non-1 governmental persons were no longer willing to talk fully and frankly 2 with the United States diplomats due to the charged leaks in this 3 case. The defense objects to this testimony as not being directly 4 related to or resulting from PFC Manning's misconduct under 5 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4). 6 Government position: Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion on the lack of openness of nongovernmental persons was based on facts or 8 data perceived by or made known to Under Secretary Kennedy before the 9 hearing. This conclusion that PFC Manning's misconduct resulted in 10 the unwillingness of non-governmental personnel to talk fully and 11 frankly with the United States and was a natural and probable 12 consequence of PFC Manning's actions and not based on any intervening 13 event that played the only important part in bringing about that 14 effect. 15 Ruling: This opinion testimony is similar to the opinion 16 17 testimony in One above and is admissible aggravation under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) for the -- a limited duration and time following the 18

Four, the testimony related to the belief that some embassies included less information in their reporting than they did 23

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releases in the various countries, as set forth in the court's ruling

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in One above.

- 1 before out of the fear that the information would not be protected.
- 2 Under Secretary Kennedy testified that the act of reporting less
- 3 information was a self-generated limitation on information from
- 4 various embassies and not the result of the direction by the
- 5 Department of State. The defense objects to this testimony as not
- 6 directly related to or resulting from PFC Manning's misconduct under
- 7 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4).
- 8 Government position: Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion that
- 9 embassies included less information in their reporting was based on
- 10 facts or data perceived by or made known to Under Secretary Kennedy
- 11 before the hearing. His conclusion was that PFC Manning's misconduct
- 12 resulted in embassies including less information was the natural and
- 13 probable consequence of PFC Manning's actions and not based on any
- 14 intervening event that played the only important role in bringing
- 15 about that effect.
- 16 Ruling: The testimony that PFC Manning's offenses caused
- 17 some embassies to include less information in their reporting for
- 18 fear that information will not be protected is admissible under
- 19 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) but is limited in time to the periods directly
- 20 following the WikiLeaks releases or directly following subsequent
- 21 media accounts of the WikiLeaks releases in the various countries as
- 22 set forth in the court's ruling in One above. PFC Manning's offenses

- 1 directly resulted in the decisions by certain embassies to report
- 2 less information in their cables.
- 3 Five, the testimony related to the belief that the
- 4 disclosures had a chilling effect on diplomatic reporting and that
- 5 the disclosures have had and will continue to have an impact on
- 6 reporting for some indefinite period. The defense objects to this
- 7 testimony as not being directly related to or resulting from PFC
- 8 Manning's misconduct under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) and also as being
- 9 speculative.
- 10 Government position: Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion on
- 11 the chilling effect of diplomatic reporting and his opinion on the
- 12 future impact on reporting were based on facts or data perceived by
- 13 or made known to Under Secretary Kennedy before the hearing. His
- 14 conclusion was that PFC Manning's misconduct resulted in this
- 15 chilling effect and the future impact and these results were the
- 16 natural and probable consequences of PFC Manning's actions and not
- 17 based on any intervening events that played the only important role
- 18 in bringing about those effects.
- 19 Ruling: A. Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion on the
- 20 chilling effects on diplomatic reporting occurring during periods
- 21 directly following the WikiLeaks releases or directly following
- 22 subsequent media accounts is admissible under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) as
- 23 directly related to or resulting from PFC Manning's offenses.

The foundation for Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion 1 that PFC Manning's misconduct resulted in WikiLeaks' disclosures of 2 purported Department of State cables caused a long-term chilling 3 effect on diplomatic reporting that continues to date and will 4 continue into the future is not based on any quantifiable data. It 5 is speculative and inadmissible under M.R.E. 403. The court will not 6 consider it. 7 Six, the testimony that due to the perceived chilling 8 effect on diplomatic reporting, the decrease in information has had a 9 negative effect on policy makers in Washington, D.C. and our 10 11 interagency partners. Specifically, Under Secretary Kennedy testified that policy decisions are being made based on incomplete 12 information, because other countries choose not to engage, or chose 13 not to engage in full and frank reporting, which reporting is relied 14 upon by policy makers. The defense objects to this testimony as not 15 directly related to or resulting from PFC Manning's misconduct under 16 R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) and also as being speculative. The defense also 17 objects based on foundation since Under Secretary Kennedy did not 18 explain how he is familiar with policy making, the various variables 19 that go into policy making, and how diplomatic reporting fits into 20

policy making. Also, "policy making" is an extremely broad category.

Under Secretary Kennedy did not explain what type of policy making he

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- 1 was referring to and certainly he is not an expert on policy making
- 2 in general.
- 3 Government position: The government qualified Under
- 4 Secretary Kennedy as an expert in the fields of "management and
- 5 operations of the Department of State," and "the use of diplomatic
- 6 reporting by United States policymakers." The defense did not
- 7 contest this expertise. Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion on the
- 8 impact to policy makers in Washington, D.C. and interagency partners
- 9 was based on facts or data perceived by or made known to Under
- 10 Secretary Kennedy before the hearing and not speculative in nature.
- 11 His conclusion was that PFC Manning's misconduct had a chilling
- 12 effect that negatively affected policy makers, which was the natural
- 13 and probable consequence of PFC Manning's actions, and not based on
- 14 any intervening event that played the only important role in bringing
- 15 about that effect.

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- 16 Ruling: A. Under Secretary Kennedy's testimony about
- 17 policy making in general, the variables that go into policy making
- 18 and how diplomatic reporting fits into policy making is within his

expertise on the use of diplomatic reporting by United States policy

- 20 makers and his 40 plus years of working at the highest levels of
- 21 inter -- of the interagency decision making organizations is
- 22 admissible, and is admissible to lay the foundation for his opinions
- 23 in One, Three, Four, and Five above.

- B. The foundation for Under Secretary Kennedy's opinion
- 2 that the accused offenses had a negative effect on policy making in
- 3 Washington, D.C. and our interagency partners and that policy
- 4 decisions are being made based upon incomplete information because
- 5 other countries chose not to engage in full and frank reporting,
- 6 which reporting is relied upon by policy makers, is not based on any
- 7 quantifiable data, it is speculative and inadmissible under M.R.E.
- 8 403. The court will not consider it.
- 9 M.R.E. 403 analysis. Under Secretary Kennedy was properly
- 10 accepted as an expert in management and operations of the Department
- 11 of State and in the use of diplomatic reporting. The probative value
- 12 of those portions of his testimony ruled admissible as aggravation
- 13 evidence under R.C.M. 1001(b)(4) is not substantially out-weighed by
- 14 the danger of unfair prejudice under M.R.E. 403. The court has
- 15 limited the scope of the opinion to the periods directly following
- 16 WikiLeaks releases or directly following subsequent media accounts of
- 17 WikiLeaks releases in the various countries. So ordered the 6th day
- 18 of August, 2013.
- 19 And I believe that ruling is already an Appellate Exhibit;
- 20 is that correct? Anything else we need to address before we call the
- 21 witness?
- 22 CDC[MR, COOMBS]: No. Your Honor.
- 23 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am. But may the parties have a moment?

- 1 MJ: Yes.
- 2 [There was a pause while the trial counsel conferred at the counsel
- 3 table.]
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am. No further issues.
- 5 MJ: Please call the witness.
- 6 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: United States calls Mr. James McCarl.
- 7 JAMES MCCARL, civilian, was called as a witness for the prosecution,
- 8 was sworn, and testified as follows:
- 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 10 Questions by the assistant trial counsel [Captain Overgaard]:
- 11 Q. And you are Mr. James McCarl?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. What is your current position?
- 14 A. I'm the Chief of the Mission Integration Division for the
- 15 Joint IED Defeat Organization's Counter-IED Operations Intelligence
- 16 Integration Center.
- 17 Q. Okay. You are the division chief, basic -- or the Chief
- 18 Mission Integration Division? That's what you said?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And then what does -- and then you said the counter-
- 21 IED operations integration center?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 MJ: Chief of -- say that one more time.

- 1 WIT: Okay.
- 2 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: It was fast for us.
- 3 WIT: I am the division Chief for the Mission Integration
- 4 Division, that division is a part of the counter-IED operations and
- 5 integration center which is a subordinate portion of the Joint IED
- 6 Defeat Organization.
- 7 Questions continued by the assistant trial counsel [Captain
- 8 Overgaard]:
- 9 Q. And what is -- how long have you been in that position?
- 10 A. Almost 6 years.
- 11 Q. And what is the mission of the Joint IED Defeat
- 12 Organization or JIEDDO?
- 13 A. It was originally established to deal with the IED threat
- 14 that emerged in Iraq and subsequently also in Afghanistan. It has
- 15 three essential lines of operation. Those are, first, to defeat the
- 16 device. By that I mean, it is technically applied against -- either
- 17 to defend against an IED or to detect it. The second one is to train
- 18 the force how to use that equipment and how to work tactically
- 19 against IED's. And the third one, in the area where I operating in,
- 20 is in attacking the network, which is to do the intelligence analysis
- 21 about how IEDs are employed, who's doing that, and then provide to
- 22 tactical units a method by which they can strike back at the threat.

- 1 Q. And then you said that another subset, or the subset under
- 2 which you work is the JIEDDO Counter-IED Operations Integration
- 3 Center?
- 4 A. Operations and Intelligence Integration Center.
- 5 Q. Can you explain to us what that means?
- 6 A. It is -- I can. The COIC is what is known as and it
- 7 essentially handles all of that third line of operation, which is the
- 8 attack the network portion. And so in my capacity I supervise, at
- 9 the moment, slightly over seven hundred, at its apex about nine
- 10 hundred, intelligence and operations analysts, about two hundred of
- 11 which were forward in Afghanistan and Iraq all the way down to
- 12 battalion level. And our purpose is to provide analytic support to
- 13 them in allowing them to attack the threat networks that put out
- 14 IEDs.
- 15 Q. And you said you've been the Chief Mission Integration --
- 16 the Chief for the Mission Integration Division for 6 years?
- 17 A. Yes. Almost, it will be 6 years in October.
- 18 O. Okav. And you're here today to testify as an expert in
- 19 adversary use of improvised explosive devices or IEDs?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And specifically, you will provide specialized knowledge on
- 22 what purported information was released by the WikiLeaks in CIDNE
- 23 databases and your opinion on: One, how the adversary can use the

- 1 information that was released; and two, the changes in enemy IED TTPs
- 2 following the releases of the purported U.S. Government information?
- A. Yes.
- 4 O. And if any questions that you're asked today, sir, require
- 5 you to disclose classified information or you believe will require
- 6 you to disclose classified information, please just let us know and
- 7 we'll answer -- ask those questions in a closed session.
- 8 Now, sir, what effects do IEDs have on military efforts?
- 9 A. Well, it's a matter of record that the IEDs are the number
- 10 one casualty producer in both Iraq and Afghanistan. It's -- at its
- 11 apex, probably accounted for about 80% of all the casualties were a
- 12 result of an IED event. So it sort of goes between 60 and 80% right
- 13 now. But it's the significant weapon of choice by the threat.
- 14 O. And you mentioned the obvious threat in Iraq and
- 15 Afghanistan, are IEDs used elsewhere against U.S. forces in the
- 16 world?
- 17 A. So the answer is yes on two planes. There are a number of
- 18 IE -- every month between seven hundred and a thousand IEDs go off
- 19 around the globe in other places. There are places where U.S. forces
- 20 are on the ground, for example, there are special operations forces,
- 21 and I would not be able in this form to go into those locations, but
- 22 there are special operations forces throughout Africa and Latin
- 23 America who potentially are in contact with those but they're not as

- 1 prolific against U.S. persons as they are in Afghanistan, but they're
- 2 certainly prolific against U.S. interest and allies.
- 3 O. Where does JIEDDO -- where do they primarily operate?
- 4 A. Originally we were focused strictly on Iraq and Afghanistan
- 5 to the forces in contact there. Now we have an expanded portfolio
- 6 that allows us to -- and we do operate, in support of every one of
- 7 the combatant commands around the globe.
- 8 Q. And you said Iraq and Afghanistan were some of the primary
- 9 places that JIEDDO operated. What do members of JIEDDO do in
- 10 theater?
- 11 A. It follows the three lines of operation that I described.
- 12 So it deploys equipment, both protective equipment -- and that could
- 13 be for an individual or it could be protective equipment like the
- 14 MRAPs which were fielded as vehicles that were resistant to IEDs,
- 15 that is one application. The second one is to train the force. We
- 16 have trainers who observe the enemy TT and P and then attempt to
- 17 synthesize that into methods that you can use to counter that. And
- 18 then the third is where my particular effort is and that is that I
- 19 have analysts, operations specialists, and analysts all the way down
- 20 to battalion level whose job it is to expose the network,
- 21 analytically examine and expose what the enemy network is. The
- 22 people who build the IEDs, put them out, and make that exposure

- 1 available to the action arm to attack that network, either kill or
- 2 capture.
- 3 O. And the third line of operation that you described, is that
- 4 primarily done in theater or is that done stateside as well?
- 5 A. Well, there's two parts to it. Obviously, the first
- 6 portion is to understand the network. So the bulk of that is done
- 7 back here in the U.S. where my effort is to synthesize and integrate
- 8 intelligence from around the intelligence community and from wherever
- 9 else we can acquire it, allies, et cetera, that's the see portion,
- 10 see the enemy portion of that mission. The attacking the network
- 11 portion, JIEDDO has no authority there. Its position is to empower
- 12 the combatant commander and on down to his tactical units who do have
- 13 the authorities. And so we're basically providing that to them with
- 14 a forward presence that allows them to attack the network there, in
- 15 theater.
- 16 Q. And what types of data do you use to compile this analysis?
- 17 A. It's an ever-expanding and changing set, but we take about
- 18 two hundred different data feeds. Many of them are the traditional
- 19 data feeds that you would get from the intelligence community, the
- 20 SIGACTS that come out of the combatant command and the tactical units
- 21 in the field. But we also use nontraditional types of intelligence
- 22 or information as well. Business intelligence, threat finance, all
- 23 of those things, because they help expose portions of the network

- 1 that you wouldn't see otherwise. So as a dynamic -- it's a dynamic
- 2 piece, it changes all the time, but roughly about two hundred
- 3 different data feeds.
- 4 Q. Did that include Department of State Cables?
- 5 A. It did.
- 6 Q. And basically all the INTs?
- 7 A. Yes ----
- 8 Q. Depending on whether or not ----
- 9 A. ---- every ----
- 10 Q. ---- they're relevant?
- 11 A. Everything that comes out of the intelligence community
- 12 that is available to -- that is available we will use and have access
- 13 to.
- 14 Q. And who typically tasked JIEDDO with preparing analytical
- 15 products?
- 16 A. There are two sources. One would be sort of the
- 17 programmatic community who is -- who are attempting to either create
- 18 a new or produce a new piece of equipment. Whether it be an
- 19 electronic warfare system to defeat a remote controlled IED, or it
- 20 could be, but more often in my case, it is a bottom up piece that
- 21 comes from the supported unit on the ground in the field. And so
- 22 they would ask us, they could ask us any number of types of
- 23 analytical questions and we'll provide that support.

- Q. So it typically -- does it typically come from the
- 2 combatant commands?
- 3 A. It typically comes from the units in contact for us. Now
- 4 that's -- there are no absolutes in this. We get requests from the
- 5 combatant commands themselves at the, you know, the four-star level.
- 6 We have gotten requests from support outside of DOD, State Department
- 7 for example. But the bulk, you know, put it in perspective, since we
- 8 have, we have been in business, we have done eighteen thousand plus
- 9 requests for support. Each one of those is an analytical effort of
- 10 some kind, some are large, some are small. But the bulk of that, the
- 11 vast majority of that comes from the tactical units in the field who
- 12 are looking for support on a counter-IED problem that they're trying
- 13 to solve.
- 14 Q. And when you're responding to these requests for analysis
- 15 from tactical units, could you give an example of how that would
- 16 work? What -- how would you receive it and then what you would do
- 17 with that information?
- 18 A. Right. Well, I'll give you two examples just so -- because
- 19 they're slightly different. Unit going into the field to take up a
- 20 position and own the battle space will typically ask us questions,
- 21 like, "Where are the IEDs going off?", "What are the high density
- 22 areas?", "Where can we expect to see IEDs?", "What kinds of IEDs will
- 23 these be?", "Will they be pressure plate, command wire, remote

- 1 control, all of the above? Who is the network that's supplying this?
- 2 Do we know the names of the people in that network? Where do they
- 3 bed down? Where are their compounds of interest? And so, do you
- 4 have of a pattern of life on them so that we can strike that now?"
- 5 So tha -- a lot of that is about situational awareness because
- 6 they're going there the first time.
- 7 Longer term battle space owners will typically begin to
- 8 integrate our products with their planning for their next operation.
- 9 So we typically plan -- we typically support operations on a weekly
- 10 basis. They will say back to us, "We're going to go into this
- 11 particular area, we need to know what to expect in there." We'll
- 12 give them a build-out similar to the one I just described, but it
- 13 will help them shape their ISR and then subsequent their op ----
- 14 O. What is ISR?
- 15 A. Their intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance. So
- 16 before an operation goes down, typically they have what's in the
- 17 vernacular in the theater, called the ISR soak. So it might be a
- 18 week, could be more, in which they will assemble over the expected
- 19 area of operation all of the intelligence and surveillance and
- 20 reconnaissance assets that they need to begin to understand what is
- 21 happening on that particular piece of terrain. We will help steer
- 22 that because we have our own understanding of that terrain and our
- 23 own analyses that will point that ISR to particular places. And then

- 1 support subsequently the pattern of life on individuals in there that
- 2 they're going after.
- 3 O. And sir, before you joined JIEDDO what was your career?
- A. I was -- served for 30 years in the United States Army,
- 5 retired as a colonel. Commanded a battalion and brigade. Had four
- 6 different combat tours in various places. And most recently stood up
- 7 and ran the INSCOM intelligence and operations center, as well as I
- 8 ran, for 2 years, the Army's Red Team for -- directly for the Vice
- 9 Chief of Staff of the Army at that time, General Cody. And then the
- 10 last thing before I retired, I served a tour in Afghanistan as a
- 11 Chief of Staff for the national mission force SOTF, task forces in
- 12 Afghanistan.
- 13 Q. And did you say your branch, sir?
- 14 A. I was military intelligence.
- 15 Q. Could you tell us a little bit more about the Red Team --
- 16 the Red Team projects that you worked on?
- 17 A. Right. So the idea, when General Schoomaker was the Chief
- 18 of Staff of the Army he was a big believer in Red Team and he
- 19 institutionalized this idea by creating a Red Team University that
- 20 taught people how to do it. And its purpose is to emulate the
- 21 threat. And so it allows the commander to ask a slightly different
- 22 question than a pure intel question. For example, I'm a commander,
- 23 I'm going to be on this particular piece of terrain or I'm going to

- 1 be doing this particular activity, if you were the enemy, how would
- 2 you react under these conditions, at this time, what kind of
- 3 scenarios would we see from that? That allows commanders to think
- 4 through mitigation strategies and how they might deal with those
- 5 possible scenarios and so as a Red -- as the Chief of the Army's Red
- 6 Team for 2 years, essentially I spent about once a month I spent a
- 7 session with the Chief of Staff, Vice Chief, and all the principals
- 8 in the bunker at the Pentagon sparring with them as their adversary.
- 9 And it included both Jihadist radical philosophy and IED component
- 10 parts to it.
- 11 Q. Did you also -- did you work with JIEDDO at all in that
- 12 capacity?
- 13 A. I did. As JIEDDO began to emerge as an organization -- it
- 14 got its start as an Army organization, transitioned to a joint
- 15 organization. So in its early days we did several projects for
- 16 JIEDDO -- Red Team projects.
- 17 Q. And sir, as one of the senior intel officers at JIEDDO, who
- 18 relies on your expertise in the adversary use of IEDs?
- 19 A. Well, all of the, essentially all of those requests for
- 20 support, every one of those things is my responsibility. So by
- 21 extension at any one time I've got two hundred analytic projects that
- 22 are -- that rely on my support and my expertise because I do, and am
- 23 responsible for, the quality control of those products going down to

- 1 the tactical commanders. That can be division commander, corps
- 2 commander, or even down to platoon leader. And within the JIEDDO
- 3 headquarters itself, I am one of the senior intelligence officers
- 4 there so, therefore, the JIEDDO director also uses me. For example,
- 5 I was his subject matter expert just last week in the briefing to
- 6 Congress.
- 7 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: And ma'am, we, at this time, offer Mr.
- 8 McCarl as an expert in adversary use of IEDs.
- 9 ADC [MAJ HURLEY]: No objection, ma'am.
- 10 MJ: All right. So accepted.
- 11 Questions continued by the assistant trial counsel [Captain
- 12 Overgaard]:
- 13 O. Sir, are you familiar with the WikiLeaks release of
- 14 purported U.S. Government information?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And when did you first become aware of that alleged release
- 17 of U.S. Government information?
- 18 A. Well, just like the rest of the general public, when it was
- 19 in the news.
- 20 Q. Was JIEDDO given any tasking in the aftermath of the
- 21 alleged release?
- 22 A Yes. In September of 2010, CENTCOM, Deputy J-3, sent a
- 23 request for support to us and it asked us to take a look at a

- 1 selected set, they selected them, of leaked reports. There were
- 2 three thousand seven hundred and ninety. And to provide to them a
- 3 JIEDDO evaluation of what we thought the impact was as a result of
- 4 those leaks from an IED perspective.
- 5 Q. In the three thousand seven hundred and ninety reports that
- 6 you mentioned, where were they from?
- 7 A. Those were all from the SIGACTS from Afghanistan.
- 8 Q. Did they do another tasking on any ----
- 9 MJ: I'm sorry, what was the number?
- 10 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: ---- three thousand -- did I switch it?
- WIT: Three thousand seven hundred and ninety.
- 12 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Okay.
- 13 MJ: Thank you.
  - 14 Ouestions continued by the assistant trial counsel [Captain
  - 15 Overgaard]:
  - 16 O. Did they also ask you to look at any of the CIDNE-I
  - 17 SIGACTS?
  - 18 A. They did. That followed in the next part of the following
  - 19 year in early 2011. They came back to us and said, "Here's, you
  - 20 know, here's a hundred and eleven thousand leaked SIGACTS from Iraq.
  - 21 We'd like you to do the same thing."
  - 22 Q. And why was it necessary to determine what IED related
  - 23 information may have been compromised in the purported devices?

- A. Well, it is the same -- it's the same principles as you
- 2 would apply to any of this. You are absolutely -- it's essential to
- 3 understand what your OPSEC loss is, what your adversary may be able
- 4 to glean from that in order to anticipate, you know, what their
- 5 actions are going to be and then subsequently deal with them.
- 6 Q. And sir, what role did you play in this tasking?
- 7 A. Well, as the Mission Integration Division Chief, I handled
- 8 the quality control portion of this. So I assigned out to three
- 9 different sub-elements of my division the analytic process, "I need
- 10 you, the ORSA guys, to do the statistical analysis on." I needed the
- 11 Red Team guys to take that perspective and look at how the enemy
- 12 might react to it and then I asked my open source guys to take a look
- 13 at what reflections and what you might expect to see from both allies
- 14 and from the Jihadists themselves. So we assigned those three
- 15 things, assigned -- I assigned an integrator, a lead for this to put
- 16 the product together. And then, like all of our products, they get
- 17 two quality control checks before they go out. And so I was involved
- 18 really more at that point as the supervisor looking at the quality
- 19 control. I was not the analyst who did the reading.
- 20 Q. So you were -- so just to break it down, you were in charge
- 21 of these three different analytic teams who were conducting the
- 22 analysis?
- 23 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. And you said there was the ORSA was the first one? What
- 2 does ORSA mean?
- 3 A. That's the Operational Research Systems Analysis. It's a
- 4 essentially a capability that, in this case, we're using to do
- 5 statistical analysis to and to help us pull from these gigantic
- 6 mounds of data how we can sort it and understand it so that we're
- 7 using statistical analytic tools to help us rack and stack the
- 8 materials and to look for things in there that then key the analyst.
- 9 Q. And then you also said you had the Red Team, which looked
- 10 at what the enemy would do if they had the information?
- 11 A. Correct. So if you had a particular vulnerability you
- 12 would -- the Red Team would give a perspective on, "If we were the
- 13 threat and we had this, how might we react?" So this provides back
- 14 to the customer some understanding of what types of scenarios might
- 15 play out as a result of this.
- 16 O. And the customer in this case was CENTCOM J-3?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 O. And then the third team that you had said was the open
- 19 source team?
- A. Correct.
- 21 Q. So what was their primary focus?
- 22 A. Well, again, what we're looking for there was the sweep
- 23 through all of reflections that we could find in open source,

- 1 particularly the Jihadist web sites but also in open news reflections
- 2 in allies. For example, how were the Pakistanis, how were the
- 3 Afghani governments, how were they reacting to this. So it gave us
- 4 some understanding or perspective on how they, you know, viewed this.
- Q. Okay. Going back to the ORSA. You said they sorted and
- 6 understand and used some analytic statistical processes to make their
- 7 determinations. Could you walk us through what they did?
- 8 A. Okay. Not being an ORSA I'm going to give you a general
- 9 description of how this goes. But essentially when you have a
- 10 hundred and eleven thousand different leaked reports, you have to
- 11 have a method by which you -- you have to have somewhere to start,
- 12 because you simply don't have time to read every single message. So
- 13 the analysts began, read about three thousand roughly, correction,
- 14 about two thousand reports and from that got an understanding of what
- 15 the main key ideas and key words would be in what we were looking at
- $16\,$   $\,$  that were associated with the task, the analytic task of -- that we
- 17 were assigned. The ORSA guys then wrote a script -- helped write a
- 18 script that would then allow the computer to rack and stack those
- 19 different reports into different categories or subject areas where we
- 20 could then begin to examine those each as an idea as opposed to just
- 21 randomly sweeping through a bunch of ideas and hoping that you can
- 22 figure it out later on.

- O. And then after they were pulled through the -- well,
- 2 through the reading and computer process, did a person read all of
- 3 that information?
- 4 A. They did. They read the highest end sampling of those. As
- 5 well, there was a -- sort of a cut off line as to how much you could
- 6 read of it. But they take the ones that had the most of the key
- 7 words, raised level of hits, from that and then they read those and
- 8 provided the analytic work from that.
- 9 Q. And you said they were separated into basically subject --
- 10 different subject areas. Was the severity of threat evaluated at
- 11 all?
- 12 A. Yes. There was three categories of severity that we
- 13 applied.
- 14 Q. And what were those three areas, without going into any
- 15 detail?
- 16 A. Well, there was high, medium, and low.
- 17 Q. Okay. And sir, how long did the review last of all this --
- 18 a hundred and fifteen thousand approximately, SIGACTS?
- 19 A. Well, there are a number of events going on concurrently
- 20 and some sequentially and then some with breaks in them, so it's not
- 21 easy to give you a linear description. I'll give you -- here's our
- 22 calculation, is that we spent 855 man hours, which equates to about
- 23 roughly \$200,000 to pay all those people to do that work.

- Q. And sir, what would these individuals, these analysts, have
- 2 been doing if they weren't conducting this review?
- 3 A. Well, they would have been supporting tactical units in the
- 4 field.
- 5 O. Did this impact the primary mission of JIEDDO?
- 6 A. Well, it impacted our mission because we had to divert
- 7 resources away from the tactical units in order to be able to do
- 8 this. I can't quantify what that is, but it's intuitively obvious.
- 9 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: All right. That's the end of our open
- 10 direct, ma'am.
- 11 ADC [MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, we don't have any open cross-
- 12 examination.
- 13 MJ: I just have one brief question.
- 14 EXAMINATION BY COURT-MARTIAL:
- 15 Questions by the military judge:
- Q. And if you can't answer this in an open setting, please
- 17 don't, but how long did each of these reviews take?
- 18 A. Rough order of magnitude's about three weeks on the first
- 19 one. The second one was much larger so it took a little longer,
- 20 about maybe four weeks just to get it underway.
- 21 O. Okav. So to get it underway?

- A. Well, I take it back. Just to get it underway to the point
- 2 that we could then take a look at the -- and rack and stack it into a
- 3 particular product.
- 4 Q. How long until the end product?
- 5 A. About 5 weeks I'd say.
- 6 MJ: Any follow-up based on that?
- 7 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: No, ma'am.
- 8 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
- 9 MJ: All right. So the government wants to move into a closed
- 10 session; is that correct?
- 11 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Yes, ma'am.
- 12 TC[MAJ FEIN]: And ma'am, this is pursuant to your previous
- 13 order Appellate Exhibit 550.
- 14 MJ: Thank you. Now I'd like the parties to confer so I can
- 15 advise the public when you anticipate that the next open session will
- 16 he.
- 17 [There was a pause while the counsel conferred at their counsel
- 18 tables.l
- 19 And remember, yesterday I believe was about a half an hour
- 20 early that -- so be generous with your time.
- 21 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am.
- 22 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: 1500, ma'am.
- 23 TC[MAJ FEIN]: 1500, ma'am.

- 1 MJ: All right. Members of the public, we are now going to
- ${\bf 2}$   $\,$  proceed into closed session. The closed session is not going to last
- 3 until 1500 but there are additional preparatory steps that counsel
- 4 need to take before we call the next witness. So we're going to have
- 5 the next open session at 1500 or 3:00 this afternoon. How long of a
- 6 recess do we need?
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: 20 minutes, ma'am.
- 8 MJ: All right. Mr. McCarl, during the recess please don't
- 9 discuss your testimony with anyone. We'll allow you to go ahead and
- 10 step down.
- 11 And anything else we need to address before we recess the
- 12 court?
- 13 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am.
- 14 MJ: Court is in recess.
  - 15 [The court-martial recessed at 1056, 7 August 2013.]
  - 16 [END OF PAGE]

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1	[The	court-martial	was	called	to	order	at	1139,	7	August	2013.	]
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- 2 MJ: Court is called to order.
- 3 Let the record reflect that all parties present when the
- 4 Court last recessed are again present in court. The witness is on
- 5 the witness stand.
- 6 Major Fein, please announce the status of the hearing.
- 7 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. Ma'am, this is a closed session,
- 8 classified at the SECRET level. The court security officer completed
- ${f 9}$  a closed hearing checklist which will be filed with the post-trial
- 10 allied papers. Also present with the parties is the bailiff, the
- 11 Court's paralegal, members of the defense team, members of the
- 12 prosecution team, and court security.
- 13 MJ: Captain Overgaard?
- 14 ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Yes, ma'am.
- 15 JAMES McCARL, civilian, already on the stand as a witness for the
- 16 prosecution, was reminded of his oath, and testified as follows:
- 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 18 Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT OVERGAARD]:
- 19 Q. In the open session we talked about the severity of the
- 20 threat that was evaluated by your team. Could you go into and
- 21 explain, first, what low severity meant?

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17	MJ: Say that one more time.	
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13	Q.	
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15	A.	Correct.
16	Q.	And,
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19	Q.	And, what did you do after you determinedyou
20	determin	ations, what happened next?

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A. So, the entire product was packaged together. You are

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22 asking about process now? Are you talking about disposition?

1 Q. Yes, sir.

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10 Q. And sir,

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3	MJ: You said, are you talking about one?
4	WIT: I am sorry, well in this case she asked for an example,
5	, correction, it was aI am
6	thinking about something different. A seriesactually a series of
7	messages in there that identified that.
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9	A. Yes.
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12	A. I do not recall which one it was. I think it actually was
13	in those but that is a faint recollection that it was in both.
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ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Objection, ma'am.
MJ: Yes?
ADC[MAJ HURLEY]:
MJ: Got it.
ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Sorry to interrupt, Your Honor.
MJ: That is fine. Go ahead.
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11	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Pardon me, ma'am.
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13	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: 1001(b)(4).
14	MJ: Got it.
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16	MJ: Yes? Hold on just a moment.
17	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, the hand gestures of the witness, I
18	have the same question.
19	MJ: Okay, I can't see them.
20	WIT: Okay, so
21	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: He said,
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ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, if we may just put this on the record
and then obviously reiterate in our filing. We would make an
objection under 1001(b)(4). Also, the speculative nature of the
testimony that Mr. McCarl just rendered and we believe it also
exceeds the foundation of his expertise.
MJ: Okay, on the final basis, that is overruled.
But go ahead, okay.
Q. Sir, you said the And, you talked
aboutyou said,
A. It runs generally parallel. We just looked at it from
2009. We went back and looked back at the numbers reported
So, they run something in a parallel
course.
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A. Correct.
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A. It is.
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1	MJ: Let me stop you there.
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3	MJ: Thank you.
4	WIT: I'm sorry. Say your question again, I'm sorry.
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13	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: One moment please.
14	[The trail counsel conferred.]
15	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Thank you, sir; ma'am.
16	Q.
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19	A. Well, in all of those categories they were there,
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1	MJ: , what?
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17	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, the same 1001(b)(4) objection.
18	MJ: Okay.
19	Q. And, you said that was
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21	A. Yes.
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3	Q. In that movement away, did that start after WikiLeaks, or
4	after the release of that Department of State cable?
5	A. That really began within the last, the significant move,
6	really began within the last year, within the last year.
7	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Pardon me
8	MJ: I have got the objection.
9	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Thanks, ma'am.
10	MJ: Let me just stop you there and ask you this question then
11	If it started this year, how do you correlate that with WikiLeaks
12	release?
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3	MJ: All right, thank you.
4	DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED:
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3	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Captain Overgaard
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5	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: No further questions, thank you.
6	MJ: Defense?
7	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am. Mr. McCarl, ma'am, it's going to
8	take a second to get organized, if that's okay?
9	MJ: That's fine.
10	CROSS EXAMINATION
11	Questions by the assistant defense counsel [MAJ HURLEY]:
12	Q. Good morning, Mr. McCarl.
13	A. Good morning.
14	Q. Sir,
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- 4. Briefs of counsel submitted after trial, if any (Article 38(c)).
- 5. DD Form 494. "Court-Martial Data Sheet."
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